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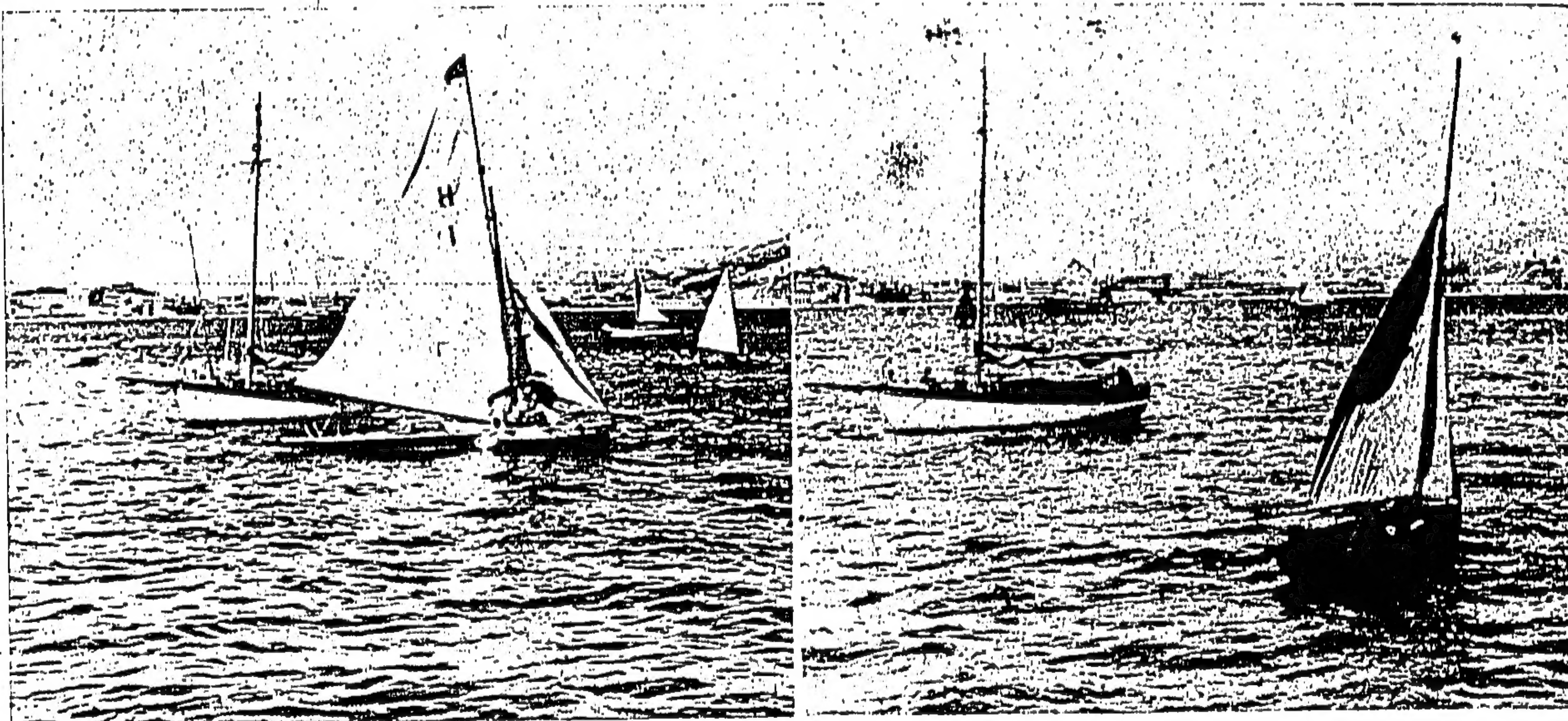
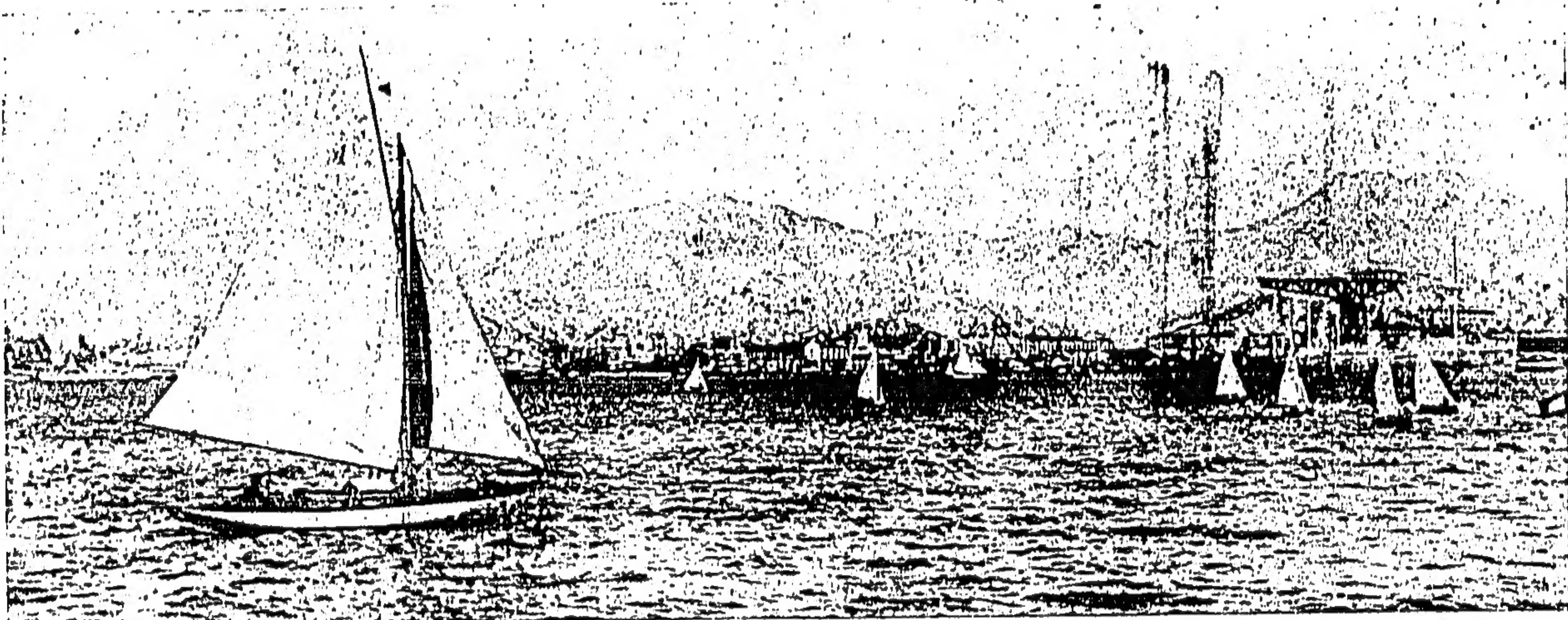
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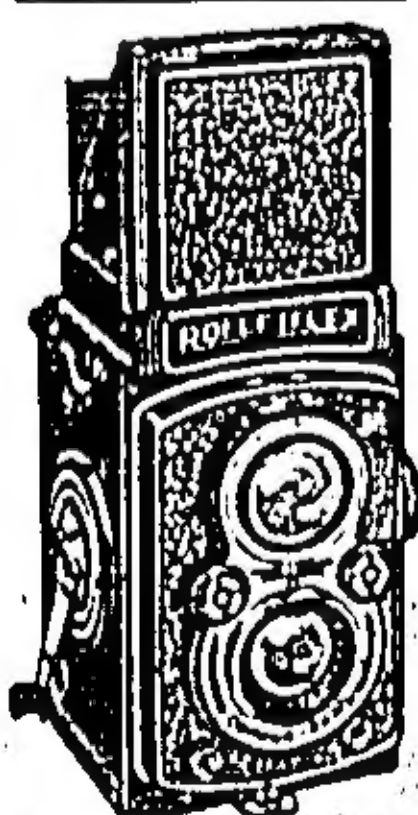
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**NAVAL SAILING RALLY**

The Royal Naval Sailing Association's rally, which was held at the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club over a distance of 2.6 miles last Sunday, met with perfect weather, and our photographs above show (first) the start of the Dinghy race; (at left) the competitors arriving for the rally, and (at right) a dinghy getting into position for the race.



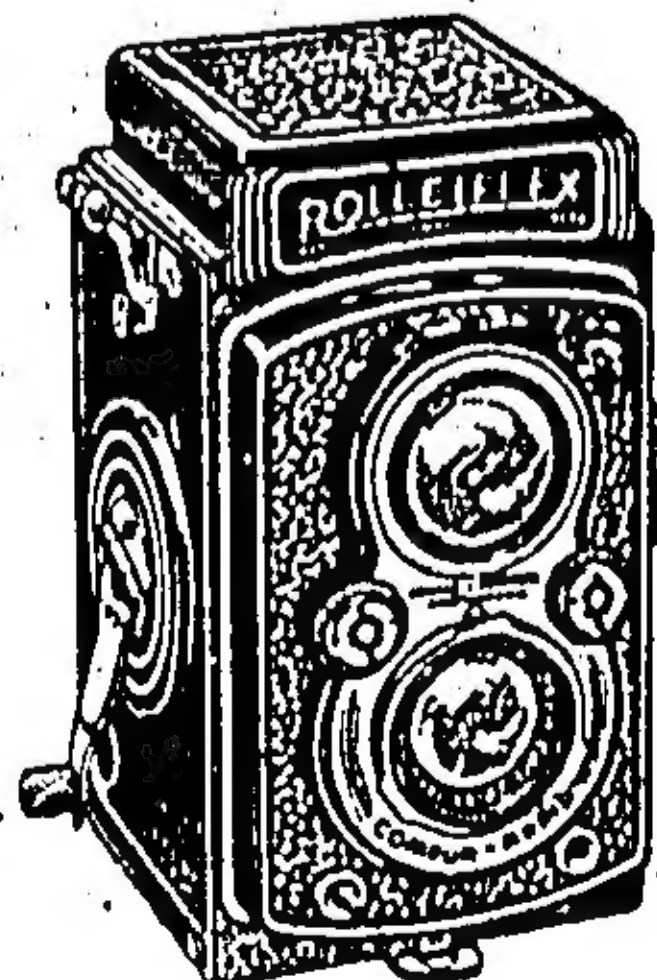
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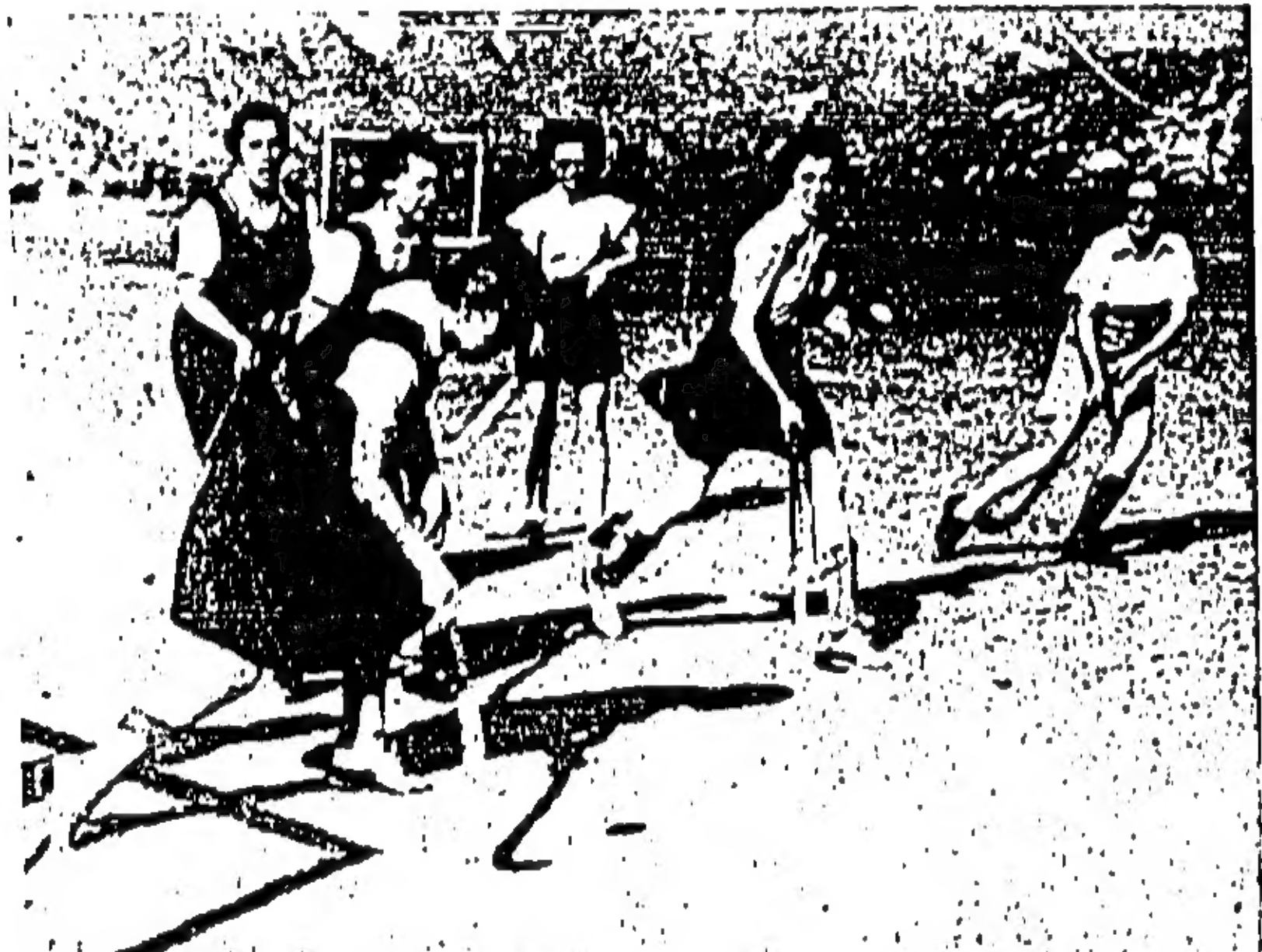
Miss Phyllis Gittins, non-playing captain of St. Andrew's Ladies, receiving the Pearce Cup from Mrs. T. E. Pearce, President of Hong Kong Ladies' Hockey Association, following the Saints' victory over Central British School in the Final of the Pearce Cup Seven-A-Side Tournament last Saturday.



An exciting moment during the Knill Cup match in which "Y" Ladies beat C.B.A. Ladies. Mrs. White, Mrs. Trimmer, and Miss E. Woolley are seen above.



Miss M. Smith, "Y" Ladies, skies the ball during the first round match against C.B.A. Ladies in the Pearce Cup tournament. Miss J. Booker, C.B.A. is in attendance.



"Y" Ladies' Juniors eliminated C.B.A. Ladies in the first round of the Knill Cup Tournament. Among the players in this picture are Mrs. White, Miss I. Buchanan, Miss R. Dairne, Miss J. Crawford, Miss E. Woolley and Mrs. F. W. Webb.



Miss B. Harker, "Y" Ladies, beaten for the ball by Miss D. Moss, C.B.A. goalkeeper, in the Pearce Cup Seven-A-Side clash, which "Y" Ladies won.

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# The Week's Photography

THIS MONTH'S  
SUBJECT:  
**'ACTION PHOTOS'**



"Football Players" by Yu Li Chack.

By "Shutter"

THE entries for the January competition exceeded by a very large number those for any previous competitions and consequently judging occupied greater time than before. Although there were two extra prizes, the task of selection was not made any the easier and there was very little to choose between some of the entries. However, the job is completed and in the opinion of the judges the following entrants have received the first, second and third awards.

1st Prize goes to Mr. K. F. Yau whose effort "Pole Jump" appeared in last week's issue.

2nd Prize goes to Mr. F. K. Chan whose entry "Jumping For The Ball" appeared in the issue of January 29th.

The 3rd Prize is awarded to Mr. Danny Yau for "Skipping" which was also published in last week's issue.

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**Sunday Herald  
PHOTOGRAPHIC  
COMPETITION**

FEB.: "ACTION PHOTOS."

Entries on the month's subject should be sent to the Photographic Editor, "The Hong Kong Sunday Herald." A prize of \$25.00 is awarded the best photograph of the month and \$1.00 is paid for all photographs published. Only entries accompanied by a stamped envelope will be returned to the sender. Entries may be called for any day after the 5th of the month following the competition.

As already said, there was little to choose between many of the entrants and I would like to mention that the prints submitted by Messrs. G. R. Grant and J. S. C. Cheung were especially close runners-up.

Pictures which secured awards, and those which were published during the month, can now be collected at any time. I am however retaining the remaining entries for this month's competition, so that those unsuccessful last month will have an opportunity of trying their luck once more.

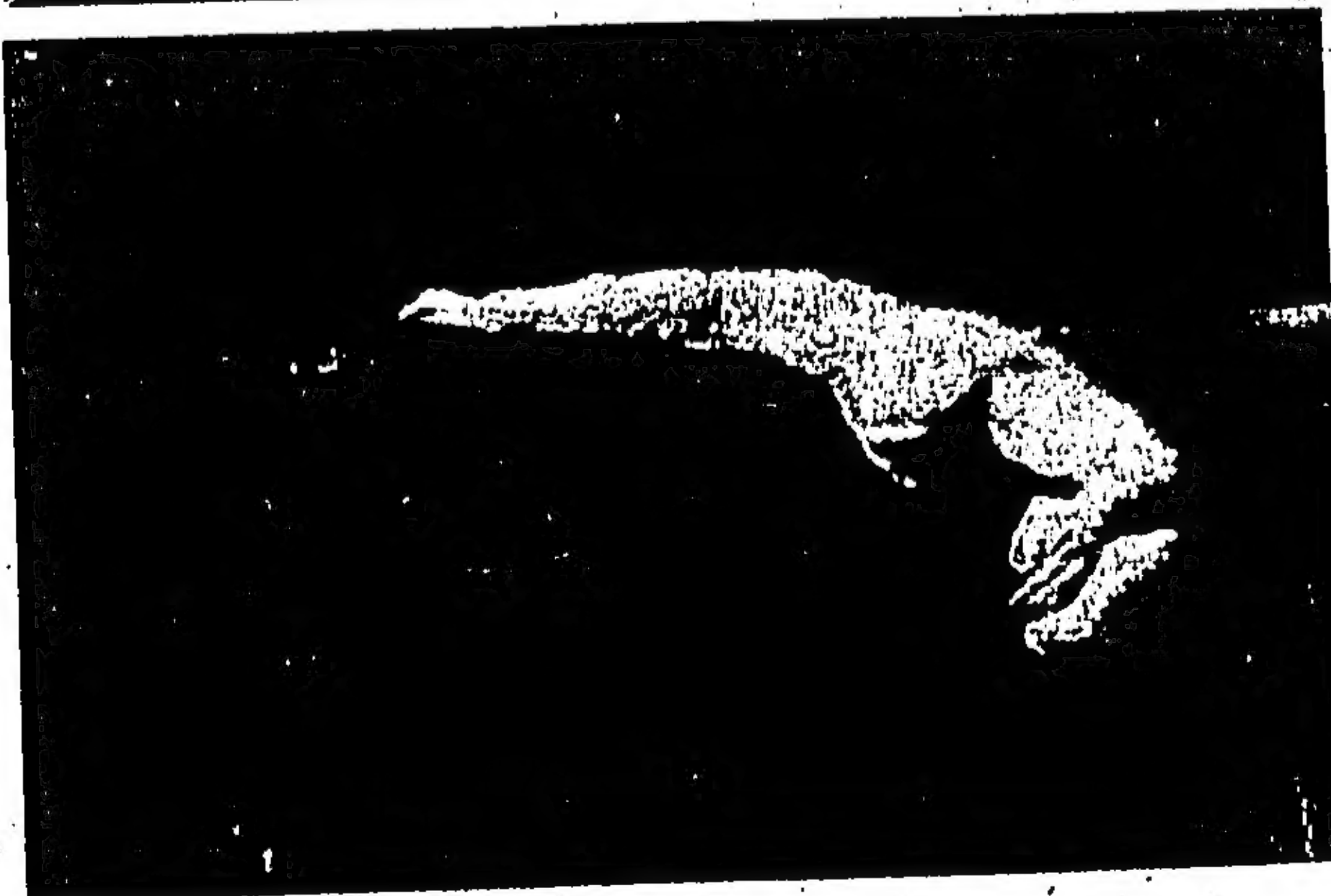
Of the three entries published this week I think that of Mr. Yu Li Chack's is the best. "Swingtime" by Mr. H. Duffin was a harder nut to crack, and he has almost succeeded in stopping the movement.

Mr. K. A. Watson could have secured an even better action study had he photographed the successive stages between the swimmer running along the springboard and eventually about to enter the water. It would appear that there is no difficulty in securing a suitable stance and I think the exposure of a roll of film would produce at least many worthwhile enlargements.

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THERE'S a new vogue. It's the "Why Grow Old?" school. All my friends are rushing about madly, trying to look eleven years younger. But they don't. They just look *muddle-aged*!

"Forty" is the obstacle that is unsettling all my friends. I refuse to let it throw me that way. I think I've learned how to be forty.

I've been watching my friends make asses of themselves. And I've made an important discovery. They are choosing the *stupid* way to be middle-aged.

They're trying to kid themselves that life begins at forty. It doesn't. But a lot of other things do.

Slovenliness begins at forty. It is indulged in by the woman who no longer has any respect for her husband. My friend Helen goes about the house in any old thing. Stockings with runs and dilapidated old bedroom slippers are "good enough" for Hugh. She doesn't bother to dress for breakfast, her hair is straggly and her nose needs powder. Her *neglige* is anything but admiration-compelling. Her husband of eighteen years standing is old stuff. Why put herself out to thrill him? Helen doesn't know that the age when a woman loses her power to charm is not chronological. It is self-imposed.

Mental fuzziness begins at forty. My friend Jane takes her face to the beauty parlour once a week. She never takes her brains anywhere. She'd be horrified if her nails weren't lacquered a shiny red. But it never occurs to her that wits will take a little polishing and sharpening. She is careful to see that her car doesn't run out of oil. Her mind hasn't been lubricated for ages. It's covered with cobwebs and squeaks at every joint.

The allure of the "other" man and "other" woman begins at forty. The original romance is considerably tarnished. My friends the G's have polished their silverware more faithfully than their love. Now she looks at him and sees only a paunch and a bald spot. He looks at her and can find little of the girl she used to be. So they both look round and see somebody else! Their early years together should be returning them large dividends in happy companionship. But they have failed to substitute more permanent satisfactions for the ones that are apt to go into a tail spin in the middle years.

I'm not afraid to say "yes" to forty when it rolls round to my doorstep next year. That doesn't mean that I think I have to look like Whistler's *Mother*. I can just as well go in for being



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the tantalising, enigmatic Mona Lisa. She's my idea of forty making good. With her subtle mystery and unfathomable smile, she is the quintessence of all that men have ever desired in woman. Hers is not the beauty of the permanent wave and plucked eyebrows. It is the loveliness of thoughts.

Be a charming wife, a charming mother, a charming friend—and the grey hairs will take care of themselves.

Be Creative! It is forty's way of being interesting. That needn't mean composing an immortal symphony. It may well mean just redecorating the living room or growing superior roses.

The satirists say that I still have thirty-two years to live. I refuse to spend them looking back over my shoulder, like Lot's wife, at what's done and gone; because

living in the past makes one old. It's only living adventurously in the present and training one's eyes on the future that keeps one young.

Psychologists have been busy with experiments that prove I'm still just as bright as I was at eighteen. So I can learn Esperanto, or write that novel, or become an authority on Florentine lace.

My cheeks may lack the radiant bloom of sixteen which my friends pursue so relentlessly and so futilely in beauty parlours. But sixteen's enchantment is largely a sugar coating to hide its emptiness. It is nature's clever ruse to trap a mate for youth at a time when youth has little but bloom to offer.

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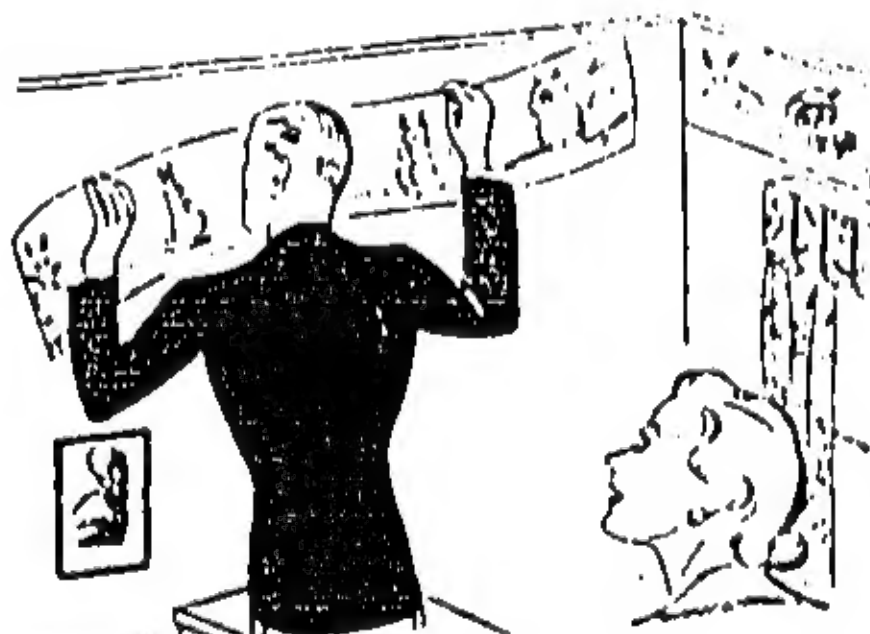
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## I Don't Like Women

AND when I say that I don't like women, please understand me. I mean that it annoys me very much not to be able to pass a complete day, not to be able to imagine a single thing, without them; neither pleasure, nor distraction, nor even work.

Is there anything more ravishing than the entry into a room of a beautiful woman?

There they sit, three men, talking freely, without constraint, in an atmosphere of cordiality.

She enters.

The conversation is bruised by the interruption. She absorbs everyone's attention, just as she seems to absorb the light.

She realises this certainly, she is thrilled by it, and so puts on the air of a woman who doesn't for the world wish to disturb the men. She scarcely allows them time to kiss her hand, she sits down hastily, too hastily, on one of the three chairs which are offered to her. She throws her right leg over her left like a challenge, she perches on the arm of the chair, and for the moment she places the point of her little chin in the hollow of her gloved hand,



protesting: "Go on, go on, I beg of you. Don't on any account let me interrupt you."

And on her face is the expression of one who can listen to anything, who can understand everything, and to whom everything in life is of desperate interest, even foreign politics.

Then, one of the three men, picking up the broken pieces of the conversation, tries to recapture the thread of an idea which is no longer of the faintest interest. And she listens gravely, patiently, to what is said, thinking to herself all the time: "After all, I ought to have worn my little black hat instead of this one!"



## Beautiful Legs Are Healthy Legs

**H**EALTHY LEGS are beautiful. The person who cannot walk or run easily will never be happy. To get healthy and beautiful legs the appropriate treatment is necessary.

In physical culture of the body the daily massage with two soft brushes in cold water goes a long way towards overcoming tiredness. Your legs require this treatment, and they must afterwards be dried with a soft towel and a good powder applied. The advantages of this treatment may not immediately be obvious, but they are undoubtedly there.

The talcum powder is shaken on to the shin-bone and rubbed with both hands in the following way:

Starting from the ankle, rub lightly towards the knee with both hands. The rubbing should be even and continued for five minutes. More powder can be added when necessary.

After this period, put on your stocking and start massaging the other leg.

Fat legs and swollen ankles can be completely cured by suitable bandaging. Women who are on their feet for considerable periods, such as housewives and shop assistants, should be careful not to allow their legs to get into this condition. Before going to bed, the legs should be bound with a wide bandage. The bandage must be neither too loose nor too tight. The foot must first be loosely bandaged, then the ankle. Work up the leg regularly. In order to make the bandage conform with the shape of the leg, it should be twisted several times.

In some conditions the bandage should be left on overnight. You should be careful that it should not be too tight under the knee. In many cases this bandaging has been known to improve sleep.

When your legs ache, a cold bandage will almost certainly relieve the pain. The calf is covered with a damp towel, and this with a layer of oilskin, and on top place a warm cloth. A good effect will be obtained only if the damp towel is properly covered with the oilskin and warm cloth.

The results will be excellent: slim legs remain slim, fat legs become thinner after a few weeks.

The treatment is improved by adding a tablespoonful of lemon juice to the water (two quarts). Stir the solution well and apply it to the leg in exactly the same manner as plain water. These lemon-juice bandages should be used only twice a week, otherwise the skin may be irritated. The legs must be well powdered the following morning.

Weak legs which tire easily can be strengthened by a weekly salt bandage. Dissolve a tablespoonful of salt in two quarts of water and apply as above. Powder the legs the following morning.

Proper walking exercises can often help persons suffering with poor legs. There is always a tendency with those who have one weak leg to put the weight on the good one, thus limping; in this way the muscles of the weak leg get weaker still through lack of use. In cases like this the

weakness can be overcome by supporting the muscles of the leg with a bandage.

Look at the arch of the foot. It should not be allowed to flatten. As soon as the arch begins to drop, proper treatment should be given.

Any part of the body which is not exposed to light, air and sunshine, cannot possibly remain healthy.

So each morning after rising and every night before going to bed the feet should be allowed to breathe. That is done through the skin. Take off your shoes and stockings and walk ten times across the room with bare feet. You should start walking about with bare feet in the open air on warm days. The temperature should be at least 60 deg. Fahr. As soon as the sun shines, expose your bare feet and let them get thoroughly warmed through.

You should bathe your feet every day. In the first week the temperature of the water should be approximately 100 deg. Fahr. Each evening after your walk your feet should be immersed in plain water for five minutes and then dried with a Turkish towel.

Now massage the feet. Start at the toes and rub up towards the foot slowly and firmly. Then wriggle the toes slowly from left to right and lift the arch of the foot slowly with your fist. The massage is aided by rubbing a fatty cream or oil on to the feet.

During the following weeks your feet should be bathed in the morning as well as in the evening. The temperature of the water should be 65 deg. Fahr. and your feet should be massaged with two soft brushes. Bathe them in water without soap and massage them with cream or oil. Start on the top of your toes, then brush the instep, and next the sole. Lift arch carefully with your fist, every day, a little more.

If the skin is too soft, therefore giving pain, rinse your feet in cold water (after brushing) to which lemon juice has been added (one tablespoonful of lemon juice to two quarts of water). Dry well.

It is very important that your weight should not be too great. The foot is not supposed to carry an excessive weight and the arch breaks down like an over-laden truck. Physical culture and foot reform will help you.

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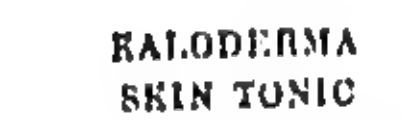
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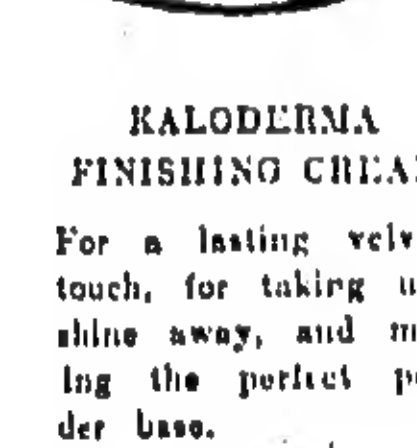
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# Why We Fall In Love

Somebody's Making Money Out of Those Who Fall In Love

THIS falling in love is one of the woolly ideas that always go down well with people, and many of them even try to put it into practice. They go in for new kinds of soap, pills, cigarettes, and even hot drinks, all because they want to fall in love or be fallen in love with, preferably both.

It is all a matter of habit; some people fall over the mat; others fall in love.

In France, one becomes amoureux (or, indeed, amoureuse) of someone: no nonsense about tripping up and falling, you see, but rather this process of becoming, or gradually making oneself in the pleasant, golden-warm, comforting and face-lifting state of being in love: this state in which the leaves are greener and the flowers are sweeter and the rush-hour crowds are really all kind and nice. And that's all quite reasonable. But elsewhere, as in Eden, we have to fall.

Now, when it comes to Why, there is quite a body of evidence, both in verse and in prose, as well as crooned. Not to speak of the results of Mass Observation.

The odd thing is that the evidence is dreadfully conflicting; one might as well start trying to reconcile the economists. For instance, the moon is notoriously one of the things people slip up over in literature, but in practice it does not appear to be all that effective. Nor do the seasons make very much difference. We town-dwellers can be singularly unaware of spring trailing over our remote chimney pots. And birthdays seem to be sprinkled fairly evenly over the year, considering. Those, in fact, who are really addicts—the chronic fallers—tell me that they can do it on almost any day of the year, and any moment of the day or night, even before breakfast.

These habituals tell me, too, that the *mise en scene* is not so important as one would gather from either the movies or the crooners. It is not necessary to

have the physical proximity either of the ballroom or of the gallant rescue. In fact, there are those who say that it is slightly harder to fall in love to the accompaniment of one or more saxophones, whilst the war-whoops of infuriated savages, is definitely rather putting-off.

But when one asks them Why, in the absence or presence of the better-known stimulants, they do actually fall in love, the answers are singularly unsatisfactory, dis-

a pain, or alternatively, one may have rheumatism, something a bit wrong with the little old liver, or what not.

In this last case, one takes a small tablet and a lot of faith, and if the latter is sufficient, it is probable that the former will work wonders. With the pain in the Psyche, faith is again prescribed, plus either a human or divine object. Naturally the human object, being subject to wind and weather, and being, alas, verifiable, is rather less lasting, but one can't have everything. Sometimes the faith may be so excellent that the whole thing may endure for quite a long time, or indeed a permanent cure may be effected.

But more often the dose must be repeated, and ultimately it may become as habit-forming as any other drug. And drugs take people's minds off irritating and gloom-making subjects, for instance the state of the world.

Those who are aware of the state of the world may be tempted to do something drastic about it: they may even take the trouble to find out who their member for Parliament is; they may take out the atlas and look up Spain or Abyssinia; there is no knowing what they may do. And naturally that might in the end prove very irritating to a number of people who are getting on very nicely.

So, as an alternative to that, we are encouraged to fall in love and think about falling in love, or falling ourselves, to think about lovely phantoms falling in love, phantoms whom we can see in satisfactory close-ups for the price of a cinema ticket.

A lot of men are making a lot of money out of those who fall in love, and the accessories (all to be purchased here or there) of falling in love; for, if you notice carefully, you will observe that it is not done these days to fall in love without accessories, and no girl with any proper respect for capitalism will allow herself to be fallen for without a satisfactory cash basis.

So, next time you fall in love and ask yourself the big Why, I advise you to find out who is making money out of it.



travelling hard to get into those nice statistics which we all love so much, and I defy anyone to make a graph of them. Let alone that you ask Why on Monday and get one answer, but ask on Wednesday and get another—and ask a couple of months later on, say, a Tuesday, which is notoriously a bad day, because of its unhappy relations with the weekend, and you will be told that it never happened at all. So the earnest inquirer tends to be just a bit foiled.

Thus the answer to the Why is often made out to be some verifiable charm in the object; that necessarily ravishing and irresistible smile or curl or configuration of brow or lips, that tone in the voice, that swing from hips or shoulders—obvious! Ah, one thinks, we are on the trail, my dear Watson. But when the object appears, is he or she in any marked way different from at least ninety-nine other possible objects? No, I am afraid not. The obvious charm is only for those who are prepared to believe in it.

So it looks as though the main ingredient in the answer was just Faith: simple faith, the same thing we all need for several other uses. There is a hole in one's Psyche, a longing, a want,

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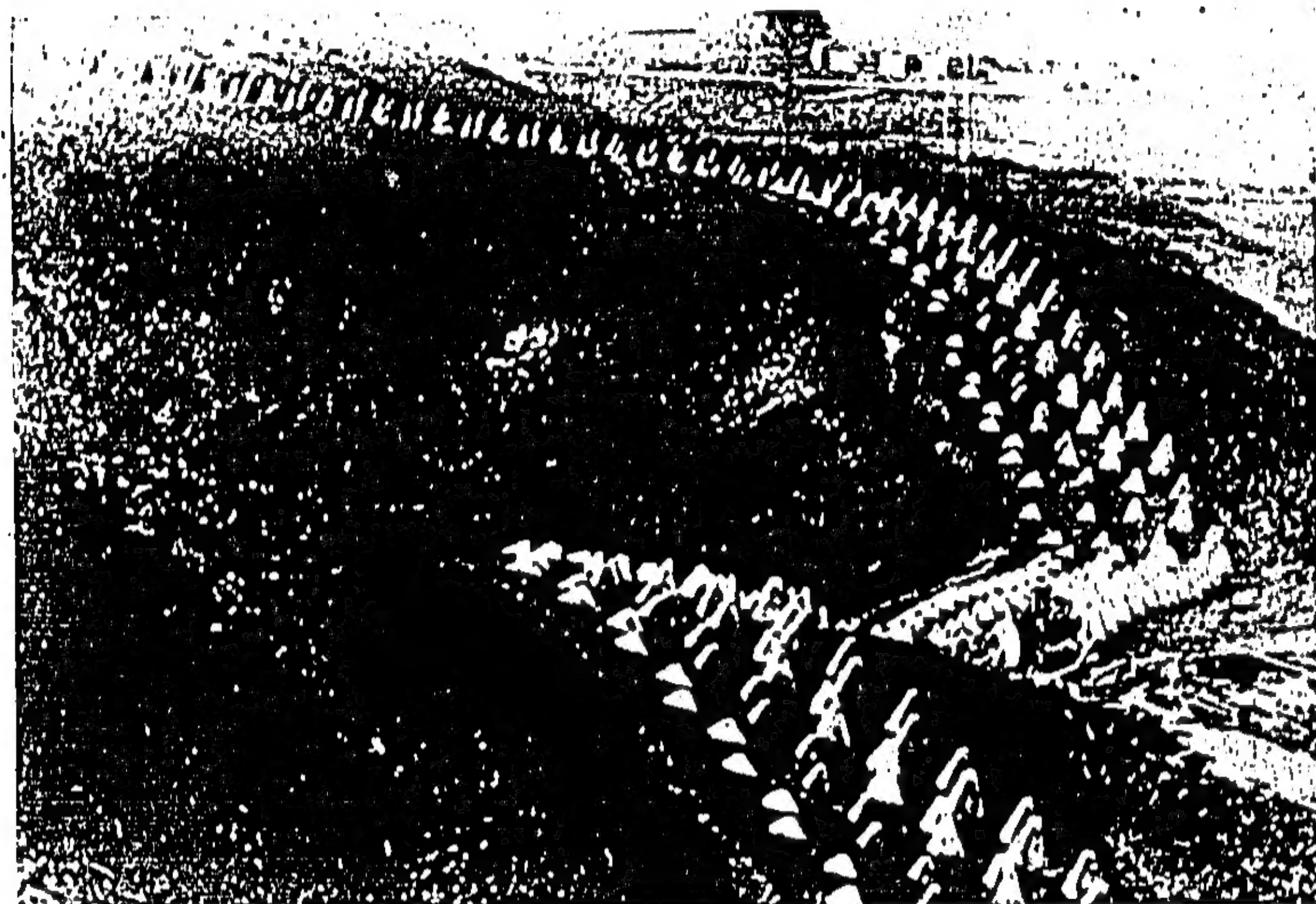
## "PERFECT WOMAN FOR 1939"

A fashion display to illustrate the historical background of modern fashions, rather than the fashions themselves, was recently held at the Cafe de Paris in Paris. Miss Tania Shorman shown above was the only woman in the show—the various fashions being paraded on robot models—and represented the "Perfect Woman for 1939". She wore this stunning Edwardian creation of eggshell satin and £20,000 worth of jewellery. (Copyright Fox).





An anti-tank gun emerges from one of the bastions of which there are 17,000 including forts. All are protected by thick walls of reinforced concrete and armour plate, and have been constructed between Holland and Lake Constance.



The first line of defence is this tank barrier winding over the fields between Strasbourg and Rhinau. It consists of rows of steel and concrete pyramids, ranging from 4 to 6 ft. in height. France's Maginot Line uses less visible steel rails.

## Germany's New "Limes"

The three pictures on this page constitute the first of the great steel-and-concrete barrier now rising on the Rhineland Frontier. Previously called the "Siegfried Line", its name has been changed to "Limes"—a Latin word meaning fortified boundary. To military experts the most interesting thing about Limes is that German strategy, which has always emphasized mobility, will now be more or less tied to a fixed line. Yet Fritz Todt, the able engineer who built Germany's military roads, is building Limes both as an impregnable defence and as a base for possible offence. To this end Limes is constructed more loosely, more openly, more above ground than France's solid subterranean Maginot Line. On it 500,000 men are working night and day. (Photos: Trans-Ocean News Service).



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"Jock" McKelvie and Ernie Fincher caught by our photographer during last Sunday's Medal Play stages of the Barry Trophy, over Kowloon Golf Club course.

## LOCAL SPORT



Hong Kong Football Club (stripes) and All-Malaya team. The 19-19 draw at the Valley last Saturday. H. D. B. seen seated in the centre. Capt. F. W. Simpson, brilliant.



K. A. Watson, Club forward, breaks away during match. Others in view are D. H. Stewart, W. B. Richardson.



A section of the large crowd which witnessed last Saturday's Rugby match between All-Malaya and Hong Kong Football Club. In between the two pillars are P. W. Bourne, Malaya forward, and his father, who travelled 1,500 miles to see his son play. He left for his home in Peiping last Wednesday.



A group of spectators at the Pony Roup at the Jockey Club Paddock on February 11. Seen above are Major H. B. L. Dowbiggin, Mr. Hennessy Seth, Major Hogg, Mr. "Ben" Proulx, Mr. Low Reldy, Mr. P. Testor and Mr. Eddio Sousa.

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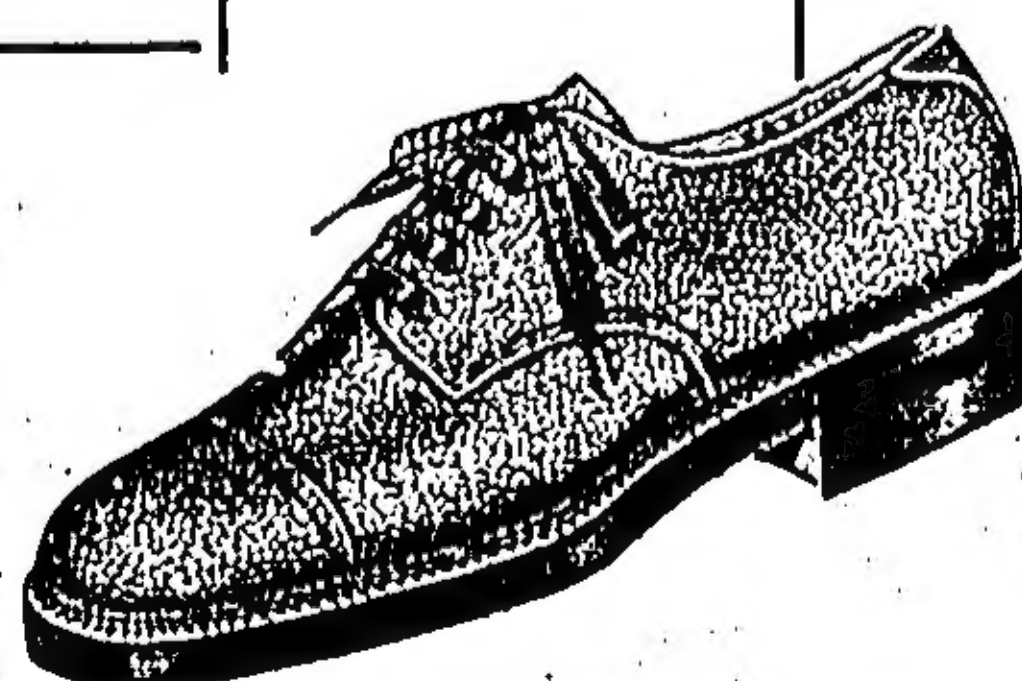
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# TING EVENTS



(whites) Rugby teams photographed before their excitement. Club captain, and D. R. Harper, visiting skipper, are on the right. Malaya scrum-half, is on Harper's left.



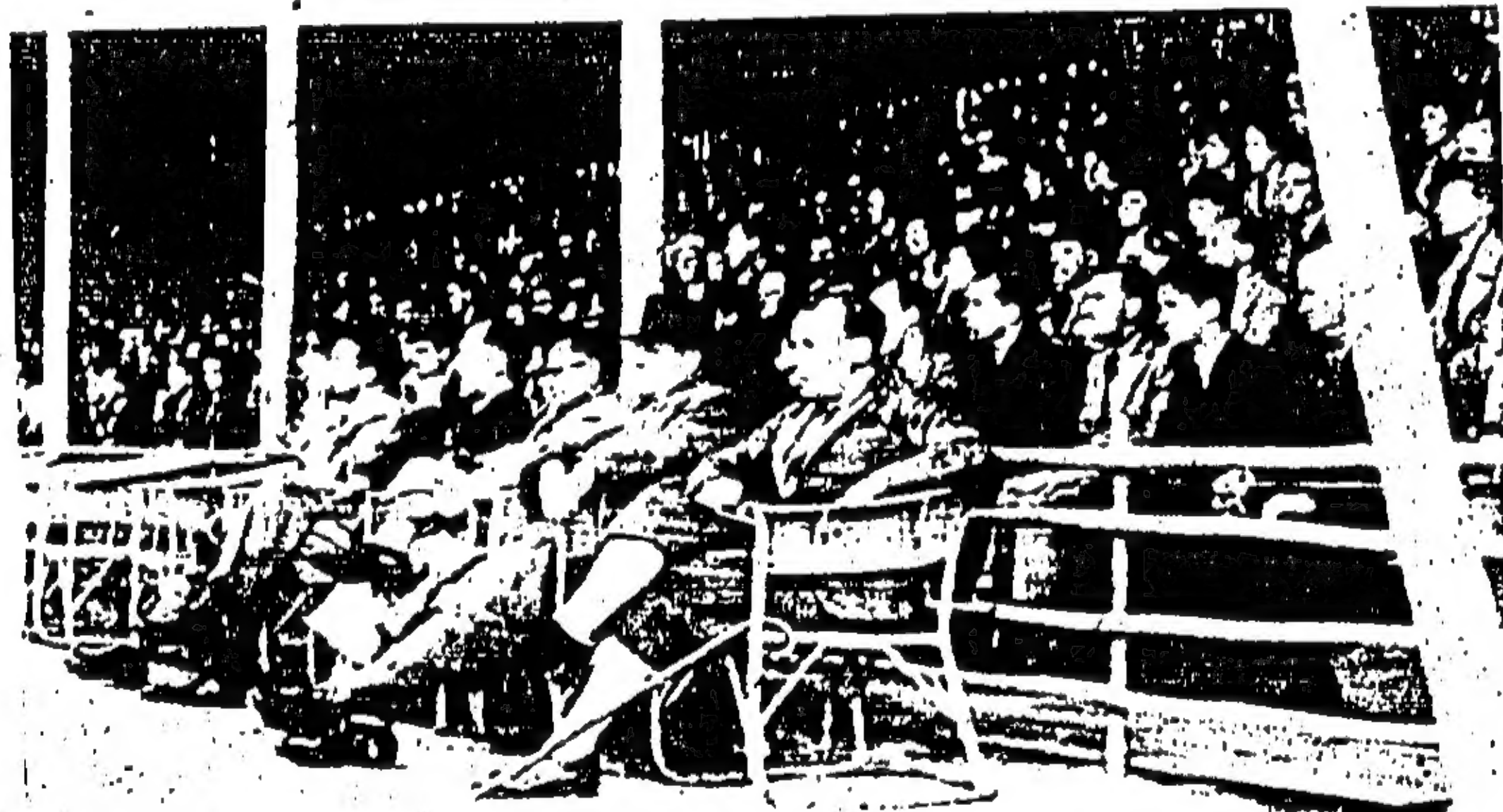
Part Saturday's Rugby match between All-Malaya and the Hong Kong team. D. McBride and Dr. "Jake" Selby (touch-judge).



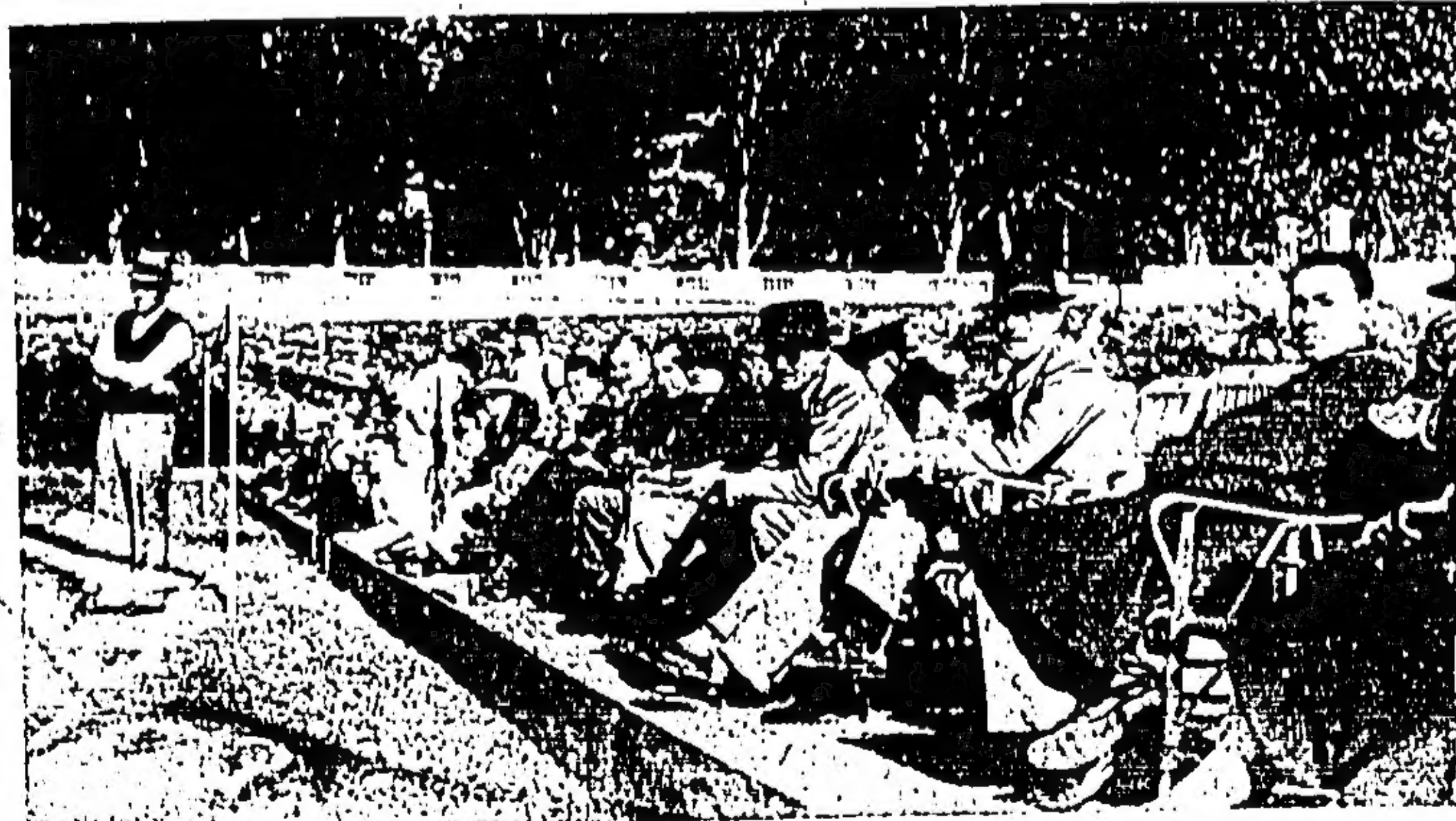
Hong Kong Football Club Interport fifteen being presented to H.E. the Governor by H. D. Bidwell, the captain. From left to right are Dr. E. W. Stout, J. R. Henderson, J. Hutchison, G. K. Chadwick, J. Redman, K. A. Watson and A. F. Walkden.



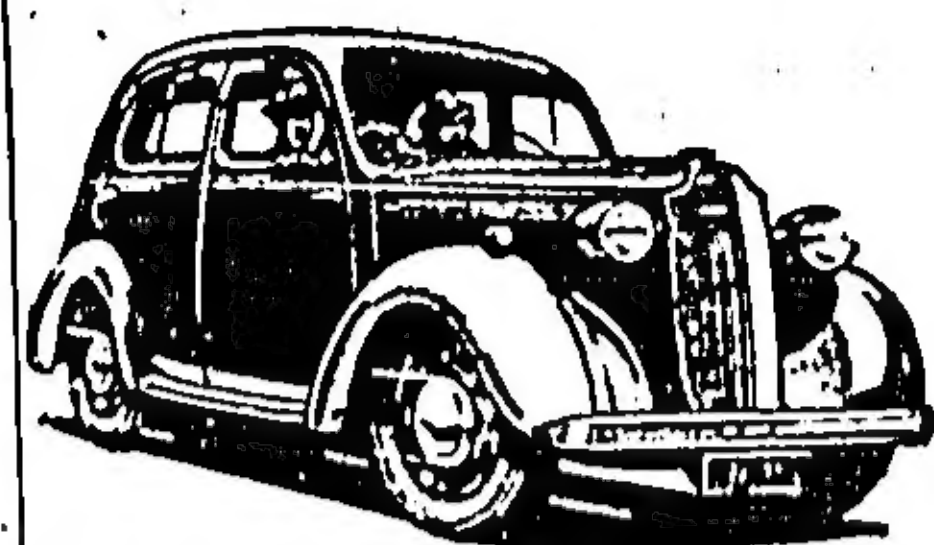
T. D. Paton and T. Lamb seen on the Kowloon Golf Club course last Sunday.



Among prominent spectators at the game were H.E. the Governor, Mr. H. R. Forsythe, Vice-President of the Football Club, Mr. M. H. Van Der Gucht, manager of the visiting team, and G. D. Lundon, Malaya's left-wing three-quarter who tore a muscle in the back of his leg.



The spectators at the Army v. Macao hockey game last Sunday at Sookunpoo included H.E. the G.O.C., Major-General A. E. Grasset, and Mrs. Grasset, and Sr. A. B. Laborinho, Consul for Portugal.



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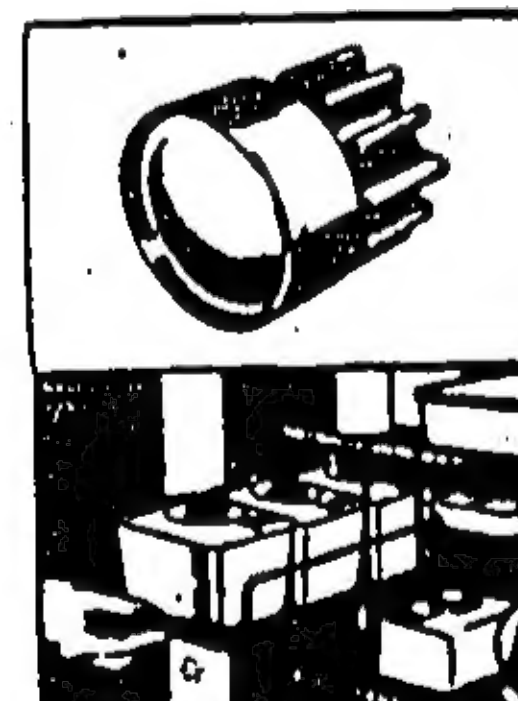
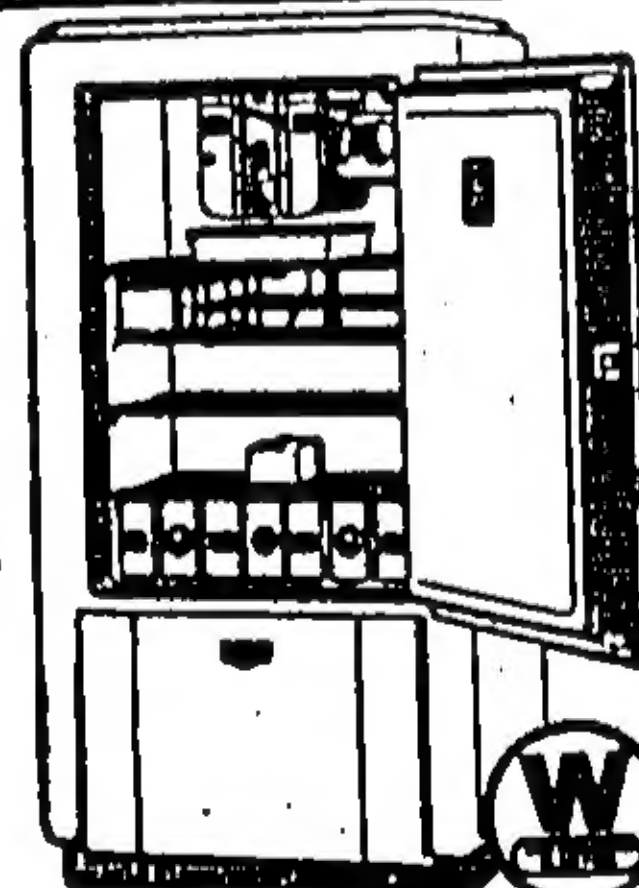


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**S**HE would realise that the fact that she does not want to be emotionally and sexually stimulated at the moment is probably Nature's way of safeguarding many other moments.

THAT it is no disloyalty not to feel like "taking sides" in a family row; and no sign of weakness. International, impartial, observers are in fashion; and most valuable in preserving all forms of peace.

THAT the change of life affects every woman differently, and it

is merely disquieting and perfectly useless covertly to "compare notes" with someone else of the same age.

THAT to worry fiercely and agonisingly at intervals about growing old and not getting enough out of life is a universal and immemorial habit among all the humans, and no indication of any particular egotism or rampant ingratitude in the individual.

THAT if she wallows in hot-stuff novels and mushy films it's probably because they are the emotional vitamins she is in need of at that particular juncture in her life; and there is no earthly reason why she should not indulge them and be happier—except a puritanical embargo placed by a generation now dead.

THAT she will not feel as she did yesterday in hates, loves or friendships because to-day is not yesterday. The finer the woman the more she will deplore her inconsistency and it is quite inevitable.

THAT "natural affection" is a sentimental fallacy. She should waste no time attempting to like and understand the temperaments of those in her family who are naturally alien to her. There is no disloyalty or personal failure in cordially disliking a blood relation, or a parent. There should be no hampering sense of guilt.

THAT it isn't unhealthy, morbid, or queer cordially to detest the things other people love and revere. It is only unhealthy and unwise not to voice the individual divergence when absolutely necessary. If it is essential for the soul's peace and integrity to state disbelief in God, fresh air, and England's sanity, it is better to risk it than stay convulsively bottled up and resentful of emotional or intellectual pressure.

THAT there is no point in being busy and industrious and always "doing something" unless there is necessity or inclination. Laziness is often the winter of a woman's existence in which lovely things are growing invisibly—even to herself. It has been the wrong upbringing that makes relaxation and temporary sloth appear immoral.

THAT the loyalty she so passionately admires and desires to emulate in someone else is sometimes lack of imagination. She cannot help being born with clean, quick perception of other people and it will out. She can do nothing about the unfortunate remarks she made, the unfortunate confidences she was betrayed into in a moment of emotion; except pigeon-hole the experience for her own future guidance, and shut up about it like a clam to everyone else.

THAT, contrary to English belief, it is not wicked not to have a sense of humour.

THAT it is quite normal and natural, with the world as it is, not to want babies.

THAT it is equally normal and natural, with the world as it is, to want babies more than anything else.

THAT it is no sign of wantonness to wonder what A is like to be married to. To realise suddenly just how attractive someone else's choice is with a five-minute-old engagement ring on her finger. It's human, if a trifle out of place, and an indication

## A Man Would Be Happier If—



**I**f in his selection of a mate he concentrated less on mere physical "it," and more upon personal "what?"; the girl who can keep him gently guessing after marriage will also keep him interested.

IF there were less red ink in his bank pass-book; red looks gay, but black is so much more useful.

IF his beard did not grow so persistently; or, alternatively, if one of those remarkable products, advertised in feminine periodicals as removing superfluous hair painlessly, promptly, and permanently, could be applied once to the saving of all future shaving. Surely his face would be as soft as the petal of a pansy!

IF hard-boiled shirts, saw-edged collars, and elusive studs had never been invented.

IF the person who cleans his shoes did not put the bulk of the blacking on the business end of the laces, a procedure which causes countless blasts of profanity.

IF other readers of his newspaper did not:

- Scatter the pages about the room.
- Bunch them together, numerically shuffled and topsy-turvy.
- Cut recipes and fashions out of them, which are sure to have his pet sport or scandal on the other side.
- Read them over his shoulder in the bus.

IF as a Daily-breader he need not also be a Strap-hanger.

IF he thought less of the colour of his ties and more of the clearness of his skin; taking care of his physical fitness without making a fetish of it; a perambulating paunch, and an athlete who rehearses his swings in the drawing-room are almost equally objectionable.

IF, in his youth, he had developed hobbies which would enable him to do something, instead of absolutely nothing, while his wife talks.

IF he ceased to resent the reserved independence of his offspring, and would rest content with the view that it is not possi-

ble for him to understand their outlook; and, further, if he could show an intelligent, helpful, but un-meddling interest in their wishes and their friends, without expecting them to pay the slightest attention to his.

IF he did not occasionally have some momentary realisation of his general selfishness, or could remove the reasons for such realisations.

IF his cloak of personal conceit had fewer of those uncomfortable thin spots which made him doubt his own importance.

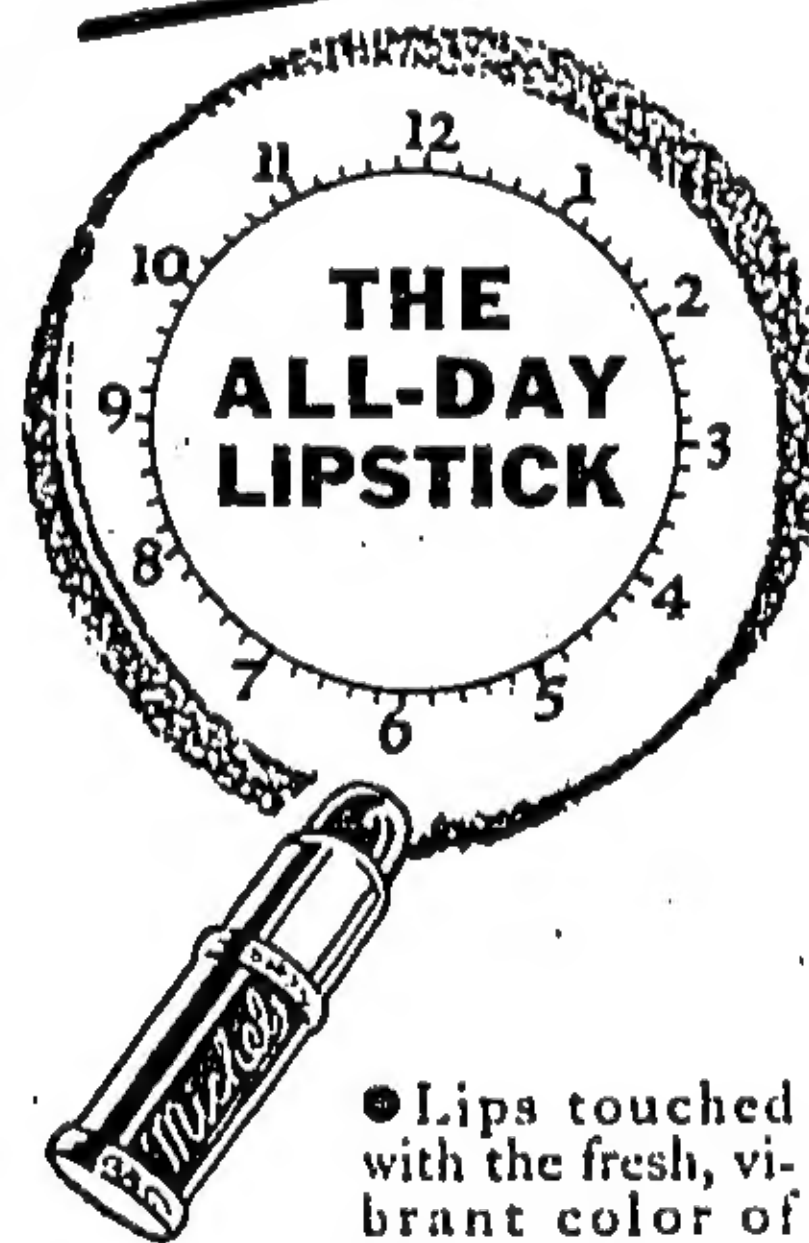
And, lastly, a man would be happier—

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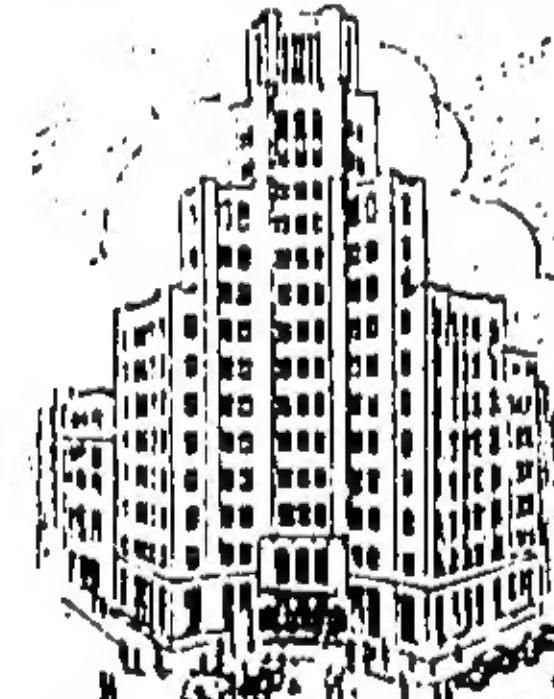


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# LEUCES IN MY DISCARD

I AM distinctly not a man-hater. If somebody tried to shipwreck me on a desert island with nothing but women, I'd howl like a banshee. If men didn't like my new hat, I'd throw it out.

What I do not subscribe to is this theory that women should idolise anything in pants. As a blonde of long standing, I resent that. After all, are we worms or women—that we should run around thinking anything with a bass voice is a gift from Heaven. I say it's asking too much. You don't catch men being so weak-minded. Chivalry or no chivalry, they don't pussyfoot around pretending all women are wonderful. Not for a minute, they don't. They're busy calling up the women they like.

All right, so there are some men I just don't like. (That's what I was wonderful. Not for a minute.) And the Number One man on my thumbsdown list is the "little boy" brooder. Now I admit there are times of emotional stress and strain when a man may be excused for injured glances and brooding silences. But the men I'm talking about whine and sulk for no reason.

It's not because I'm a she-devil or a sadist, either. My friends will tell you I'm mild to the point of monotony. (I only wish I were a dynamic little tiger-cat who could havoc men's lives!)

The snivel if a girl won't hold hands. They give me a look of a wounded doe when I want to go home at midnight and catch what's left of the beauty sleep. They think if they pout and brood enough, and pile it on thick about their frustrated lives, they can get their own way.

Those are the men who deliberately work on a woman's motherly instinct. They've heard that gag about "all men are little

The men you like can get away with murder! The ones you don't ought to read what women think about them, the dopes!

boys," and they're dopes enough to think all women believe it.

On a par with these baby-talk boys are the men who treat women as stooges. I'm perfectly willing to open my eyes and point my ears and listen like mad to

cute when you're mad." It's enough to turn a girl into a maniac.

The second cousins of these smug-brained brutes are the cave-men who toss me up in the air. I happen to weigh ninety pounds on the hoof, although I've swallowed enough milk and cod-liver oil to float a yacht.

Someday I'll let fly from mid-air with a sharp left, and, he'll be minus a few front teeth, he will.

Next to the tossers on my black-list are the lady-killers. They're the men who close in with what they think is a hypnotic glance, and pat the feminine arm with a masculine air. At a cocktail party, they maroon a girl in a corner away from civilisation, and proceed to turn on the charm. They've been known to call a woman frost-bitten or queer, if she failed to respond

ardently. After a half hour of heavy-handed compliments and drooling confidences, the lucky woman is supposedly ready to follow him to the ends of Siberia. If you ask me, she's more often ready to snarl and run in the opposite direction.

Of course, she may run from the frying pan into the managing man, and that's even worse. He's the one who asks a girl out to dinner, and manages everything to a degree that drives me frantic.

He bullies the waiters, gives impromptu illustrated talks on how to chill the wine, and argues noisily with ushers. After all this, he practically never has been known to tip lavishly. And he sees to it that his companion of the evening feels he's spending like a prince. Men like that deserve to marry gold-diggers,

and a lot of them do, tra la.

But I reserve my poison ivy invective for the men who call up at three A.M. They are divided into the cheery drunks who wonder how I've been, and the teary drunks who wonder what it's all about. Don't ask me how their minds are working at that hour. Anybody who phones and catapults me out of bed at the lowebb stroke of three gets a terse answer and a cracked ear-drum. Fortunately, they're in the minority group, along with the man who said I reminded him of Lavender and Old Lace. (He might just as well have come right out and said I reminded him of moldy bread, the beast!)

And as for the men I like—they can get away with murder.



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men. I want to know what they said to their boss, and what they want to do next year, and what they think about life and war and why good old so-and-so is getting a divorce. But I want them to listen to me, too. And there are swaggering he-men who can't be bothered with feminine talk. "What did you do to-day?" they ask expansively, chucking me under the chin. And when I sit on the edge of my chair and start to tell them some world-shaking event, they cut me off with a tolerant pat.

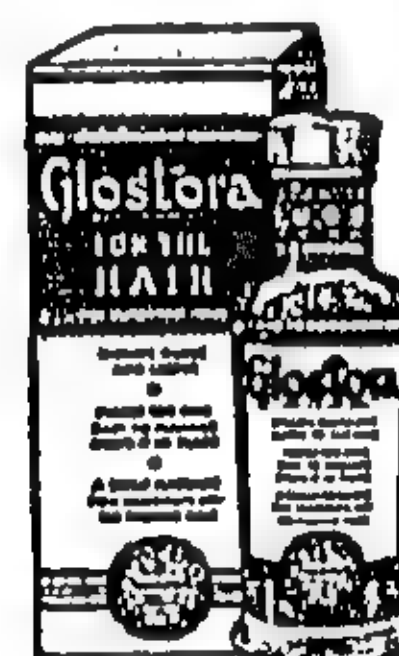
When I deliver a violent opinion, they pooh-pooh it aside, and give me one of those "Don't bother your little blonde head with such things" looks. When I protest bitterly against this treatment, they say blandly, "You're

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## BRIDGE BOLONEY

SO much has been written and said about the vices and eccentricities of the Bridge Table that the uninitiated must often imagine a bridge club to be a cross between a looney bin and a penal prison. This is scarcely true. No lunatic asylum or penal prison could be as gloomy as a bridge club. Besides, though a good deal of roughing goes on in a bridge room, cut-throat bridge is quite definitely discouraged in the best bridge circles and even bridge players turn up trumps every now and then.

There is, however, a definite resemblance between a mortuary and a bridge club. Both of them indulge in post mortems and moribund silences. Conversation is a very limited affair. Such adjuncts as spades and black suits are necessary to both.

But to suggest that bridge players are dishonest or insane, or both, is kicking below the table.

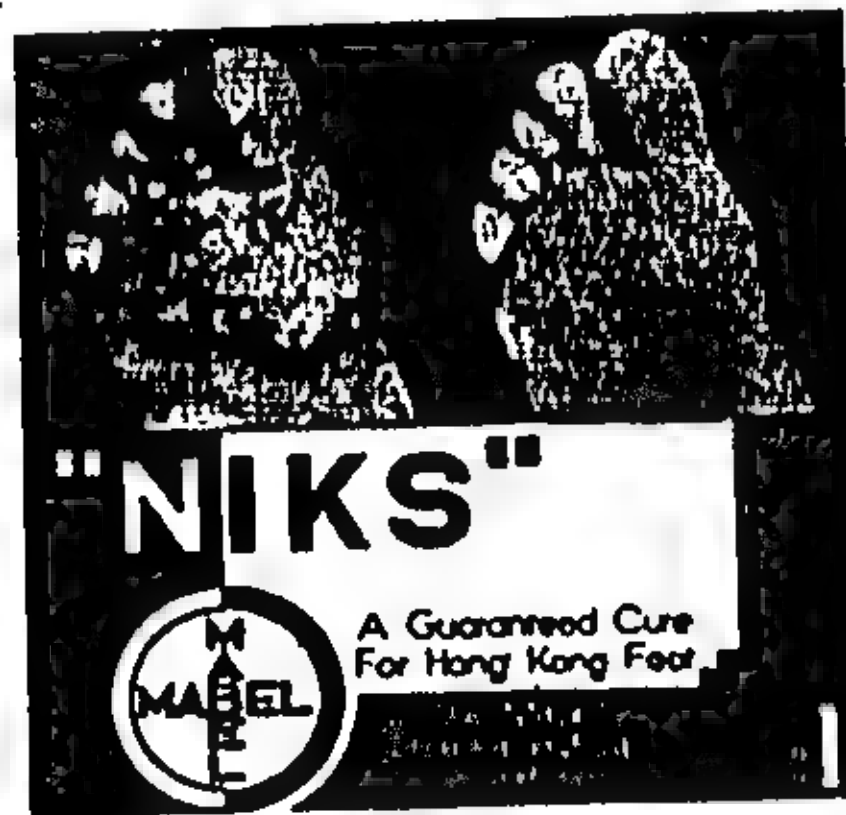
Who could better portray the noble virtue of honesty than the player who, having failed to return her partner's lead, trumped

his one good ace, and then pushed her opponents' towards the unattainable tricks in dummy, finally leans across the table to say sweetly: "I hope I haven't done anything wrong. I was listening to the bidding at the next table."

This is very touching to her partner's pocket and he replies by playing his major suit of restraint, confining himself to a puny little gasp to register his emotion.

Great is the valour of the bridge room. It needs courage of a big

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## CHESS NOTES

**T**HE modernity of this opening is well known. It is essentially a struggle for positional advantage in the centre.

The following game was played in the third round of the Aero Tournament.

Game No. 1. English Opening

White	Black
M. Botwinnik	S. Reshevsky
(U.S.S.R.)	(U.S.A.)
1. P-QB4	P-K4
2. Kt-QB3	Kt-QB3
3. P-KKt3	P-KKt3
4. B-Kt2	B-Kt2
5. P-K3	P-Q3
6. Kt-K2	Kt-K2
7. P-Q4 (a)	PxP
8. PxP	0-0
9. 0-0	Kt-B4 (b)
10. P-Q5	Kt-K4
11. P-Kt3	P-QR4 (c)
12. B-Kt2	Kt-Q2
13. P-QR3	Kt-B4
14. P-QKt4	Kt-Q2
15. Q-Kt3! (d)	Kt-Q5
16. KtxKt	BxKt
17. QR-Q1	B-Kt2
18. KR-K1	PxP
19. PxP	Kt-B3
20. P-R3 (e)	P-R4 (f)
21. P-B5	B-B4

22. Kt-Kt5	B-Q2 (g)
23. P-B6	PxP
24. PxP	B-B
25. KtxQP!	B-K3 (h)
26. Q-B2! (i)	R-B1
27. Kt-B5!	Q-K
28. KtxB	KxKt
29. R-Q7 (ch)!	R-B2
30. B-K5	K-Kt
31. RxP	RxR
32. BxR	R-R8 (ch)
33. K-R2	R-R2
34. B-K5	R-KR2
35. P-B7	Kt-Q2
36. Q-B2! (i)	R-B1
37. P-R8=Q	Resigns

(a) Gaining positional advantage in the centre.

(b) Played to induce P-Q5 blocking white's long diagonal, but permits a queen's side attack whilst black is still not fully developed.

(c) A misconceived strategical plan. Played to prevent P-QKt4 after black's QKt-Q2-B4, but not allowing for P-QR3 and P-QKt4.

(d) Vacating Qsq for QR, uniting the rooks and envisaging an ultimate attack along QR2-KKt8.

## The English Opening

(e) Threatening P-KKt4 to black's B-B4.

(f) Set on playing B-B4, but seriously weakening his pawn position.

(g) Precipitates disaster. Best was R-K1.

(h) If PxKt, white plays either 26. P-B7, followed by BxR etc., or simply 27. P-Kt5.

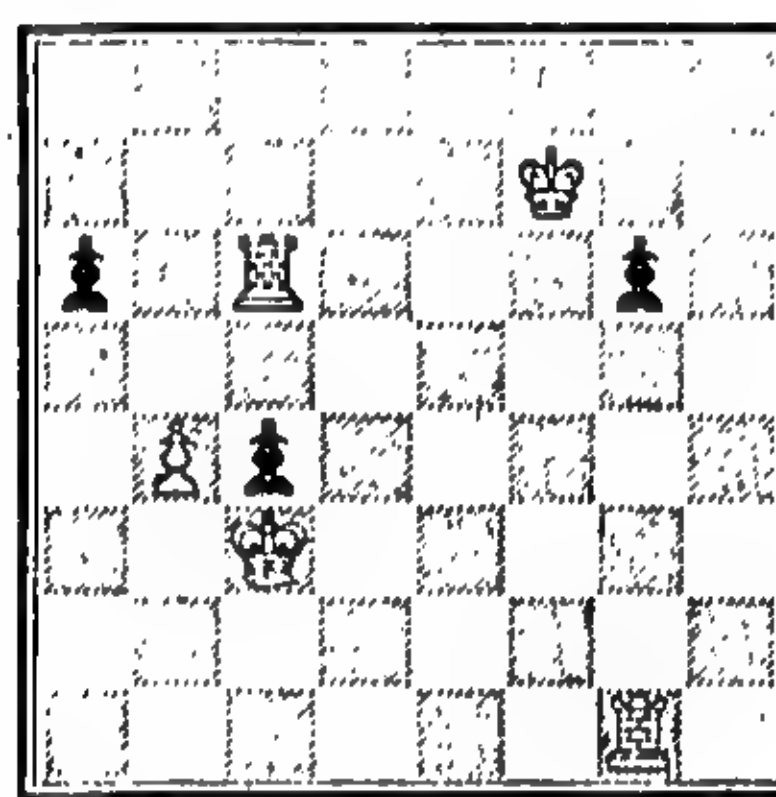
(i) Once more emphasising the weakness of 20. . . P-R4.

## Problem No. 1

Strategy in Pawn Promotion.

The following position was reached in the 3rd game of the Euwe-Bogoljubow match of 1928.

Euwe (5)



Bogoljubow (3)

Black to play and win

## Game No. 2

White Black  
M. Botwinnik Kasparian  
English Opening

## Games No. 2

The following "quick one" was played in the 6th round of the

Leningrad semi-final tournament for the chess championship of the U.S.S.R.

White Black  
H. Botwinnik Kasparian  
English Opening

1. P-QB4	Kt-KB3
2. Kt-QB3	P-QB4
3. Kt-KB3	P-Q4
4. PxP	KtxP
5. P-K4	Kt-Kt5 (a)
6. B-QB4	Kt-Q6 (ch)
7. K-K2	Kt x B (ch)
8. R x Kt	P-K3
9. P-Q4	PxP
10. QxP	QxQ
11. KtxQ	P-QR3 (b)
12. Kt-QR4!	Kt-Q2 (c)
13. R(k)-Q1!	B-K2? (d)
14. KtxP!! (e)	Resigns

(a) Kt x Kt helps white's development, Kt-QB2 was best.

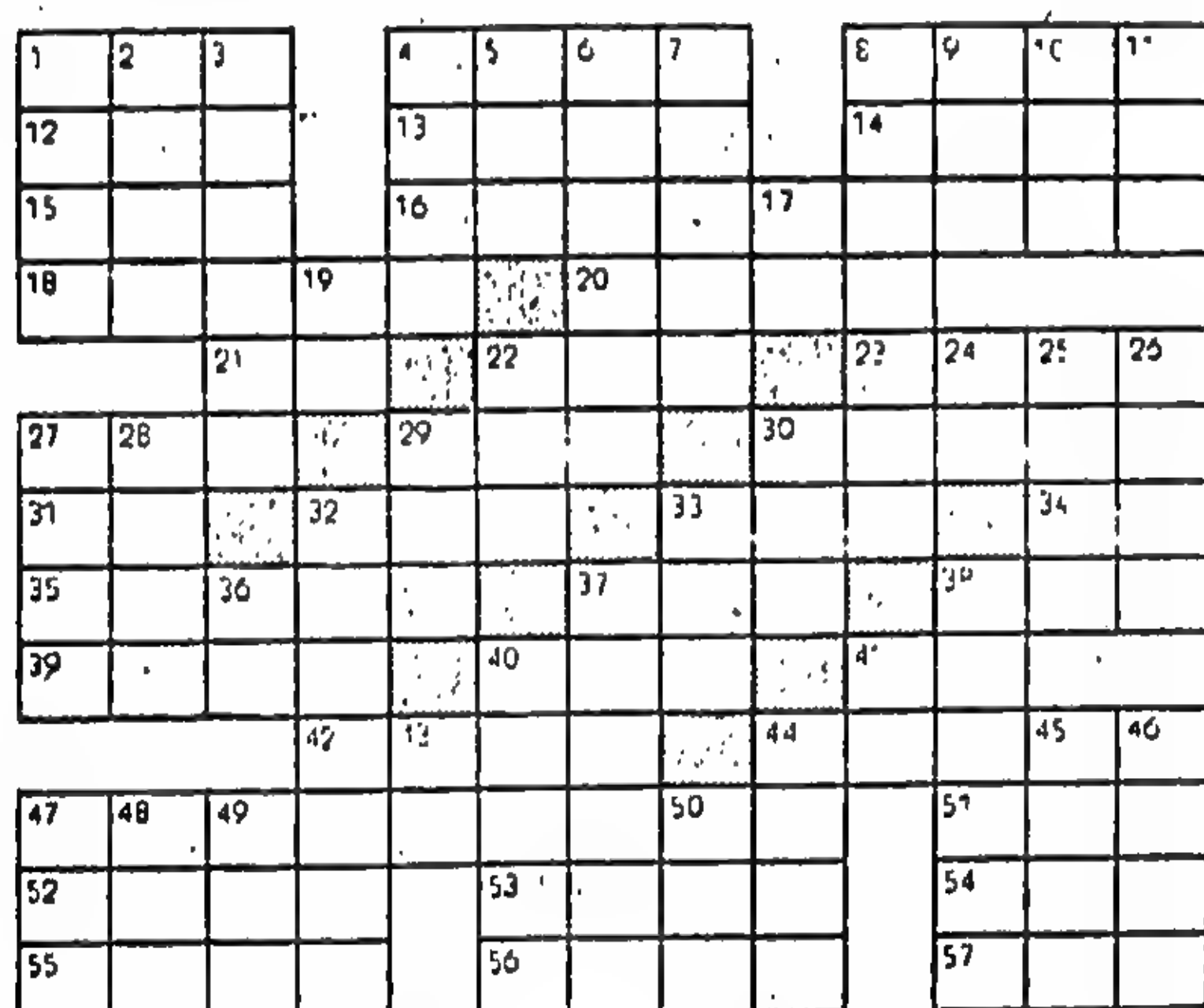
(b) To prevent white playing Kt-Kt5.

(c) To prevent white playing Kt-Kt6.

(d) Exactly the same position had been reached some years ago in a game between Tarasch and Rubinstein, the latter playing P-QKt4, after which move white could have just managed to draw.

(e) If 14 . . . P x Kt-15 B x P, further threatening 16. R x B (ch). R x R 17. B x Kt (ch) K-Q. 18. B x R (ch), leaving white with two extra pawns. If 15 . . . Kt-QB4, 16. Kt x Kt B x Kt 17. B x B R x B etc.

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## HORIZONTAL

- 1 Idle talk
- 4 Betting figures
- 8 To pierce
- 12 Land measure
- 13 Aspect
- 14 Part of "to be"
- 15 Russian commune
- 16 To anger
- 18 To incline
- 20 Black
- 21 Preposition
- 22 Bitter vetch
- 23 To drink
- 27 Card
- 29 Cow genus
- 30 Glide
- 31 Italian article

## VERTICAL

- 32 Inhibition
- 33 Mold
- 34 Pronoun
- 35 Made docile
- 37 Hiatus
- 38 Goddess of mischief
- 39 Self-assured
- 40 To cook
- 41 Type unit
- 42 The upper throat
- 44 Condiment
- 47 Deduction
- 51 Day before
- 52 Shakespearean king
- 53 Shield
- 54 Deer
- 55 Permits
- 56 Spreads
- 57 Fish

## VERTICAL

- 1 School of whales
- 2 Seed covering
- 3 To scold
- 4 To leave out
- 5 Racket
- 6 Postpones
- 7 Rudely ignores
- 8 To cheat
- 9 Beverage
- 10 Skill
- 11 Insect
- 17 Artificial language
- 19 Negative
- 22 Age
- 24 Japanese measure
- 25 Mine entrance
- 26 To allot

- 27 Isles
- 28 Shell fish
- 29 Evil
- 30 To taste
- 32 Mendicants (var.)
- 33 Period
- 36 Greek letter
- 37 Farm
- 38 Electrical unit
- 40 Speedy
- 41 Babylonian god
- 43 Home of Abraham
- 44 Tax
- 45 Cry of Bacchante
- 46 Spool
- 47 Badly
- 48 By birth
- 49 Obese
- 50 Spanish hero

## BRIDGE BOLONEY

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order to finesse a nine with the ten out against you, or to discard an ace no matter how useless it may be. But bridge players are not lacking in nerve. They grit their teeth and call "Grand Slam" with two losing tricks in their hands.

Hope is a fine trait common to the is sure to be a large colony of floundering. In every club there peepers—those optimists who rush into game with only a wisp of encouragement from their partners. They deserve all the luck they get, such as totting up their opponents' score.

It is refreshing to see generosity and optimism allied in a game which, according to its detractors, is nothing but a low means to a livelihood; yet who does not know the player who loses all the tricks that are easy to lose, and some that need a lot of mislaying, and follows it up by remarking to his partner: "I don't think I could possibly have made it. Never mind. Better luck next time!"

It is, of course, possible to be eccentric without being clever. Bridge players are definitely clever, in their own ways. Great is the subtlety required to distinguish between a "No bid" that means "No bid," a "No bid" that

means "I have the opponents' suit so we might be able to get them down," and a "No bid" that means "I can't stand your suit at any price. Stop bidding, you fool!"

Bridge players combine agility, wit and brains. Among their ranks are acrobats who leap lightly from one suit to another without once coming to earth; conjurers who never hold a card though they are presented with thirteen at the close of every deal; humorists who make perpetual wisecracks about thirteen cards in a suit and four suits in a pack (suitably adapted to fit in with the five suit packs); telepathists who know that when their partners bid "A club" they need not have a single club in their hands.

Bridge players aren't superstitious. Or they shouldn't be. They start the game at a great disadvantage with thirteen cards apiece.

But though the virtues of bridge players are often so well "interred in their bones" that it needs a spade to unearth them, it is quite a mistaken idea to think that they have no virtues, or that just anyone can play bridge. No one but a mathematician, capable of counting honour tricks, can ever hope to become a bridge Ace.



# EVOLUTION OF THE GLAMOUR BOY

## A Few Vital Statistics In Regard To The Current Concupiscent Casanovas

**M**ORE and more frequently, in the public press and quality magazines, the eye is confronted with the term "Glamour Boy;" and the time has come when a few vital statistics on this timely theme should be presented, so that he (or she) who reads may run.

Biologically, the Glamour Boy is a hybrid, a blend of extravert, exhibitionist and egomaniac stocks. He is easily recognised by his facial expression, one of hauteur tempered with enmity, occasionally lightened by a sneer; usually look like three mornings after four nights before; and by his habits, which are nocturnal and predatory. Another distinguishing mark is lipstick on the collar.

He converses, in a weird jargon, a sort of "Cafesperanto" intelligible only to his kind, an admixture of the glib, flip quip, the retort Rabelaisian, risqué repartee, the veiled innuendo, persiflage and badinage.

As to vocation, the Glamour Boy never has anything so banal as a job. Instead, he has a sinecure (he is usually a broker, an editor or a writer) which he has relegated to its proper place in his scheme of things so that it will in no wise interfere with his

leisure. The Glamour Boys are the founders of Cafe Society, and woe to anyone not in their Social Register who tries to crash the gates. Occasionally some outsider contrives to insinuate himself, but he is always considered a rank interloper and is either frowned upon coldly or tolerated with amused contempt by the rest of the gentry.

The Glamour Boys have been directly responsible for the rapid rise of two of our major industries: the production of aspirin and bromo seltzer; and indirectly they support a small but elite profession known as Columnists.

Their reflexes, which Science has observed keenly, are particularly worthy of note. They will enter a bar in a semicomatose state, but after a few B and Bs will laugh, play, and upon occasion, even leap like a tuna. The Glamour Boy can imbibe any given number of B and Bs, and saturation point is considered the norm.

Without exception, they are diligent students of astronomy, and upon almost any clear night, can be observed making an intensive study of heavenly bodies.



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sions as pitching oranges at policemen; hanging "For Rent" signs on the postoffice; and such merry madcap pranks as stealing a pile of "Daily Workers" and peddling them up and down the Street at five A.M., meanwhile shouting hoarsely "Comes the Revolution."

The Glamour Boy may be said to have reached a point in his evolution where he rightfully deserves a place in the Animal Kingdom. Because of his close resemblance to the Primates in many respects, it was at first thought that he ought to be placed in this classification, but due to a total absence of spinal column, he cannot be properly considered in this division. The final consensus was that he belonged with the Amoebae themselves but the Amoebae protested so loudly about this that it is still a moot point.

### GLOSSARY

**Tycoon**—One who, either by diabolical intent or sheerest accident (otherwise known as a Lucky Break) has amassed a Huge Fortune by engaging in the mass production of a Necessity, such as soap, shoes, clothing, automobiles, etc., thus providing employment for hundreds of thousands.

**Play Boy**—Differs from Glamour Boy in that he is usually at the receiving end of an Enormous Trust Fund, which he spends on such playthings as airplanes, yachts, racing stables, and the production of musical comedies.

**Career Girl**—One who, by sitting on the right laps, has elevated herself to an Important Position. The importance of Position cannot be overestimated, and no one understands this better than the Career Girl.

Now we come to that most interesting phases, the Love Life of the Glamour Boy. (At this point, let us remind you that Science is indebted to him for an amazing new synthetic affection that practically defies detection and can scarcely be told from The Real Thing.) Unlike other well known forms of animal life, the Glamour Boy does not mate with the female of his species, the Glamour Girl (who in turn appears to have a natural affinity for Tycoons\* and Play Boys.\* (See glossary for definitions.) This is not axiomatic, however, for occasionally there is a superficial attraction which endures for a period of two or three weeks, when they suddenly discover that they are not in rapport, and the whole thing comes to an abrupt end with a loud phfft. Can it be, perhaps, that some obscure alchemy in their protoplasmic cells gives them something in common (and there's nothing commoner than that!) which acts as a catalyst, driving them apart? (And darned lucky for the rest of us, too.)

Rather, the Glamour Boy is attracted to Divorcees, Career Girls\* and L'il Gals with Talent. He is a pushover for Talent in any form, particularly if it is in a form that is easy on the eyes and not over twenty-three. These L'il Gals, constitute the hero worshippers of the Glamour Boy. To these damsels, he is Worldliness, Sophistication and Fame, all wrapped in cellophane; they think just to be seen with him will be the making of them. (They'll find out!)

The Glamour Boy at play is the most moving sight of all. He will indulge in such cerebral diver-

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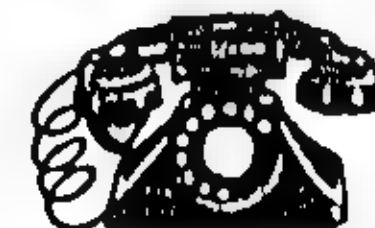
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Up shot little Willie's hand! Teacher: "Well, Willie, which is the animal?"

Willie: "Please, teacher, the lioness."—*Bradford (Ont.) Witness.*

## IN A HURRY

Husband: "You have been standing at the gate talking to Mrs. Hobson for a solid half-hour."

Wife: "Yes, she hadn't time to come in."—*Deutsche Illustrierte.*

## WHY WORRY?

"Professor! Professor!"

"Well, what is it?"

"There is a burglar in the library."

"Dear me! What is he reading?"—*Lustige Kölner Zeitung.*

## MUST USE IT

"I must go and buy a book."

"Why a book?"

Somebody gave me a reading lamp for Christmas."—*Humoristische List.*

## NOT FOR THEM

"I want two seats for the play, please."

"For 'Anthony and Cleopatra'?"

"No, for me and my boy."—*Gazzettino Illustrato.*

## SINCERITY

In one of the Broadway clubs the other night, the boys were sitting around with an actor who recently scored a great success. He had knocked about for fifteen years without getting anywhere, when the big break finally arrived. And, as a result, his head had grown to abnormal proportions.

"I'm terrific," he assured the group seriously. "The entire nation is conscious of me now. Why, a tobacco concern had me down this afternoon and named a cigar after me."

"Wonderful!" yawned one of the group. "And for their sake, I certainly hope it will draw better than you did for fifteen years!"—*New York Journal.*

## CAUSE FOR COMPLAINT

Exasperated Wife: "The night before last you came home yesterday. Last night you came home to-day. If you come home this evening to-morrow morning, I'll go straight home to mother."—*Petrolia Advertiser.*

## A GOOD JOB

"I sing only for my own amusement."

"I can quite believe it."—*Die Grune Post.*

## LONG AGO

Manager: "Were you served by a grey-haired waiter?"

Guest: "I don't know. When he took my order, he was a fair young man."—*Neophilika Gram-mata.*

## NEW EDITIONS

The initial cost of a series of textbooks, like geographies, is enormous, a publisher explains. Yep, and the upkeep must be something fierce, too, since Der Fuehrer, Il Duce and the Japs set in.—*Montreal Herald.*

## THE SOLUTION

Two little boys were astride a none-too-large hobby-horse. Things eventually came to the point where one little rider said to the other: "If one of us would get off, I could ride better."—*New Outlook.*

## HE BOUGHT IT

"My office boy says that he remembers seeing his great-great-grand-mother."

"Well, what a little liar!"

"No; he stutters."—*Il Sette Bello.*

## LABOUR-SAVING

Then there was the man who worked himself to death trying to meet the instalments on his wife's labour-saving appliances.—*Kingston Whig Standard.*



---Mrs.

## MISUNDERSTOOD

John felt that he could never ask Pamela to be his wife.

True, he loved her as he had never loved anyone else before, but then she was an angel, while he had many little weaknesses of which no angel would ever be likely to approve.

Pamela, on the other hand, spent her time thinking it was high time John popped the question!

One day he came to the point. "Pamela, Pamela," he urged, "will you marry me?" "You bet," she replied briskly. "I know, darling," he answered ashamed. "But if you'll only say 'Yes,' I'll promise never to back another horse!"

## TOUCHE!

A judge, after calling at the office of a brilliant lawyer friend, left a law book on the lawyer's desk—quite unintentionally. The lawyer ordered his clerk to take the volume back to the judge.

"Ask him," he said, jocularly, "what he meant by bringing me a law book!"

The clerk delivered the book and the message.

"Ask him," responded the judge, "how he knew it was a law book!"—*Toronto Globe.*

## A LARGE ORDER

The notice outside the little photographer's shop said: "Life-size enlargements from your own snapshots."

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## LAUGH IT OFF!

Mrs. Joops was obviously suffering under the stress of suppressed emotion when her neighbour, Mrs. Duddle, called one morning.

"Whatever is the matter, dearie?" exclaimed Mrs. Duddle. "You look all worked up."

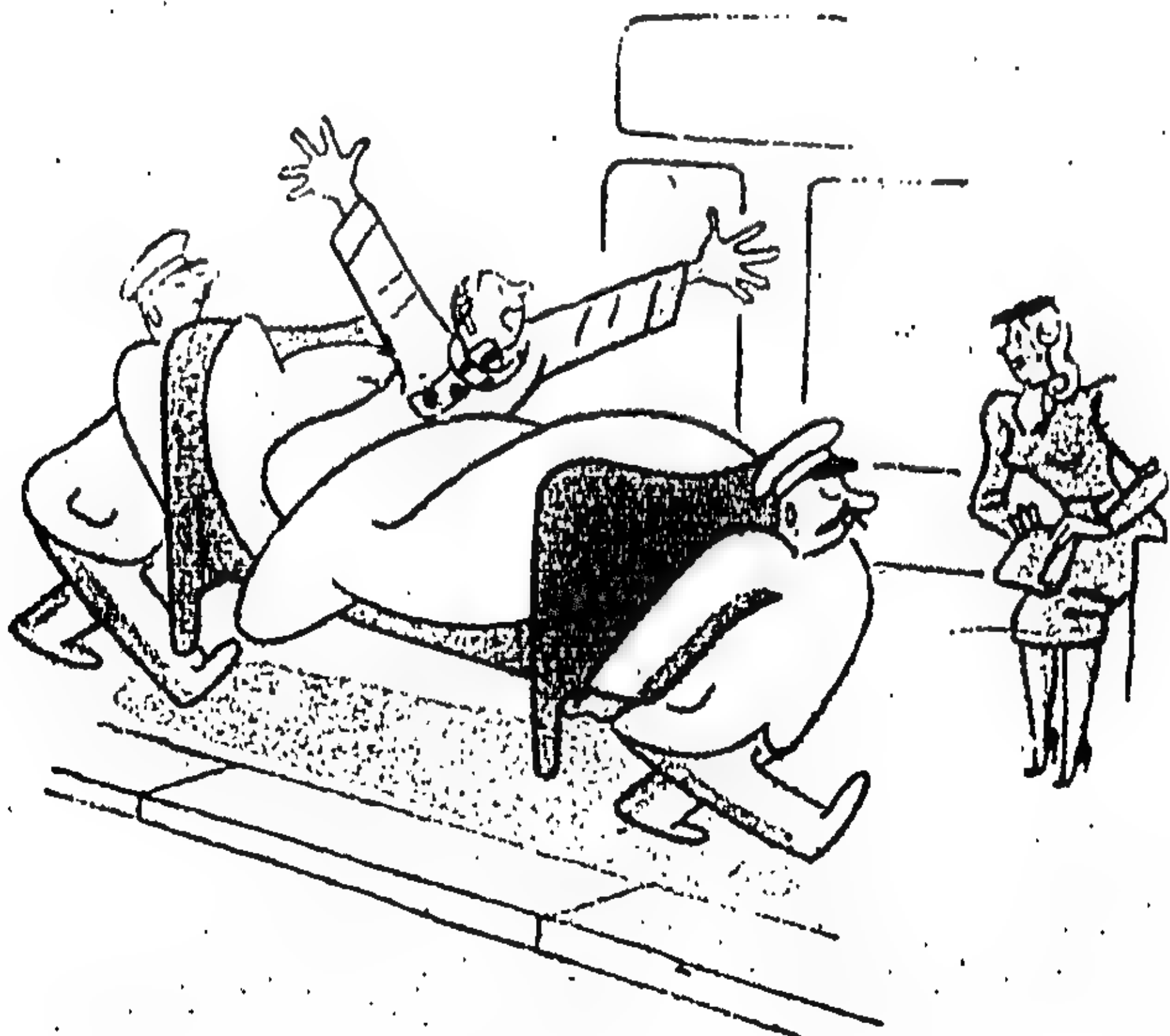
"It's my husband. He's run off with another woman! Oh, I—I can hardly control myself!"

Mrs. Duddle patted her neighbour's heaving shoulders.

"Don't try to, dearie," she said, soothingly. "You'll feel better after a good laugh."—*Til-Bits.*



"Grandpa, it is so difficult to tie your tie in the dark."—*Muskete (Vienna).*



"Darling, the doctor said I was not to leave my bed, but I just couldn't miss our appointment."—*Lustige Blatter (Berlin).*





In the Final of the dance competition held in the Grill Room of the Hong Kong Hotel by the Chinese Dancers' Association, Mr. Tommy Lee and Miss Gloria Yee were awarded first prize. The former is seen fifth from right, and the latter sixth from left. Mrs. M. K. Lo (sixth from right) presented the trophies.



A group photograph taken at the Registry, Supreme Court, on February 2nd, when Miss May Woo became the bride of Mr. Chang Kwai Yau of Messrs. Woo and Woo, Solicitors.—(King's Studio).

(Right)—Players in the Ewo Softball Inter-Hong Kong team are from left to right (front row) W. Knox, D. Hung, A. A. Remedios, G. Rozario, and A. L. Rocha. (Back row) E. A. Gnubert, N. D. Booker, D. O. Parsons, E. J. Silva, M. A. Baptista and P. S. Wong.



Over 1,000 people witnessed the launching of the 10,000 ton passenger-cargo liner Breconshire at Taitoo Dock on February 2nd. Built for the Glen Line, this vessel is the largest ever built in Hong Kong. Lady Northcote performed the launching ceremony.



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Surgeon-Captain G. V. Hobbs, R.N., and Major G.O.F. Alley, who acted as judges in last Sunday's annual competition for the Ralphs' Shield of the St. John Ambulance Brigade.



Photograph taken following the wedding of Mr. Au Man So of China Emporium, Ltd., to Miss Helen Pang at the Registry on February 2nd.—King's Studio.



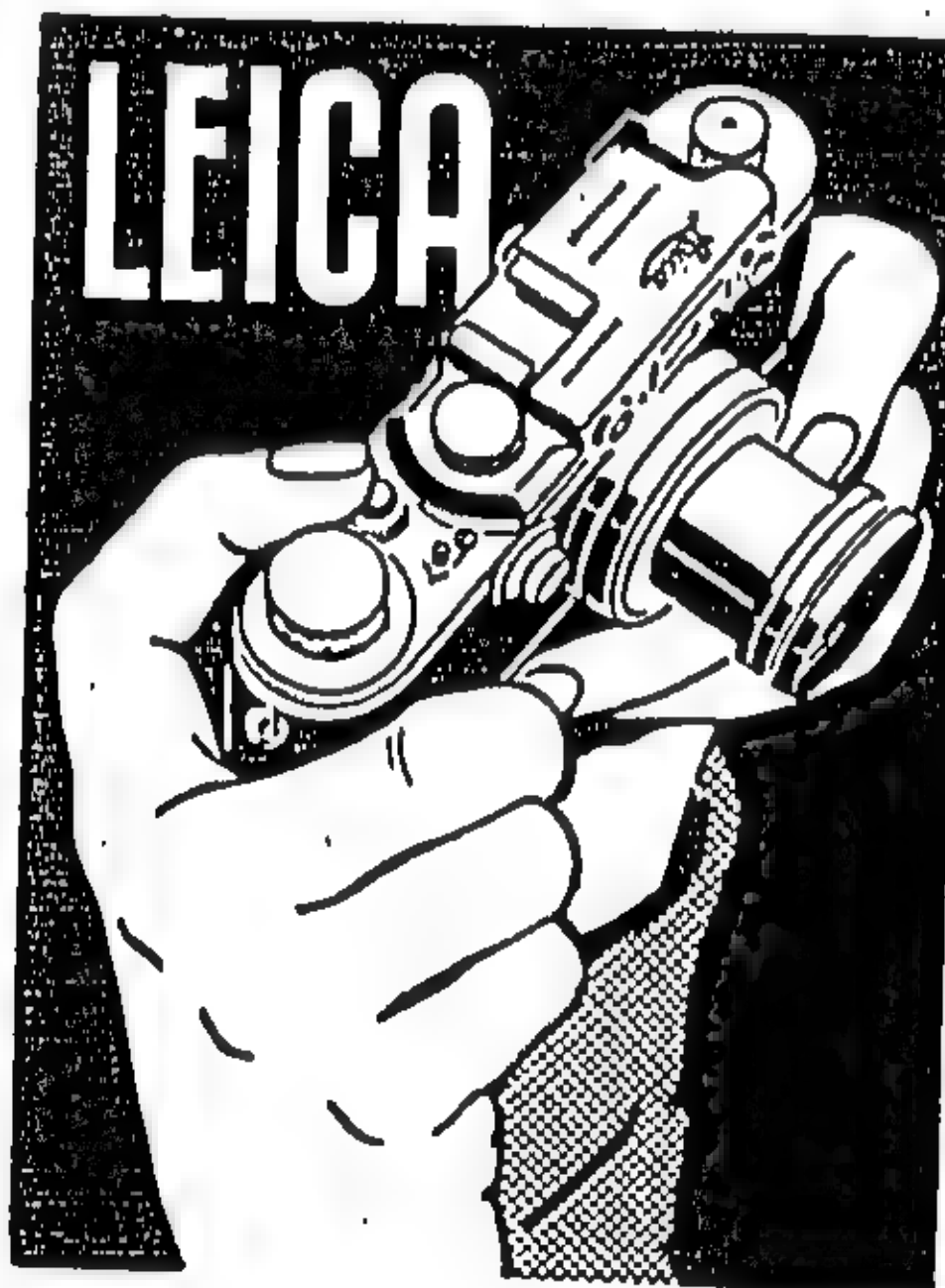
Kowloon Tong "A" League badminton team, above, had their championship aspirations, dashed when they lost to the highly fancied St. Andrew's "A" team by 6 games to 3. Left to right standing—N. A. E. Mackay, B. P. C. Fletcher, R. E. Lee and J. Tsang; In front—A. Chan, John Chen, F. Tsang and Peter Lo.



The only woman on the Hong Kong Government Board of Film Censors is Miss Helen M. Yu, shown above. Miss Yu received her education in Europe, and is associated here with Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co., Ltd.—Bann's Studio.



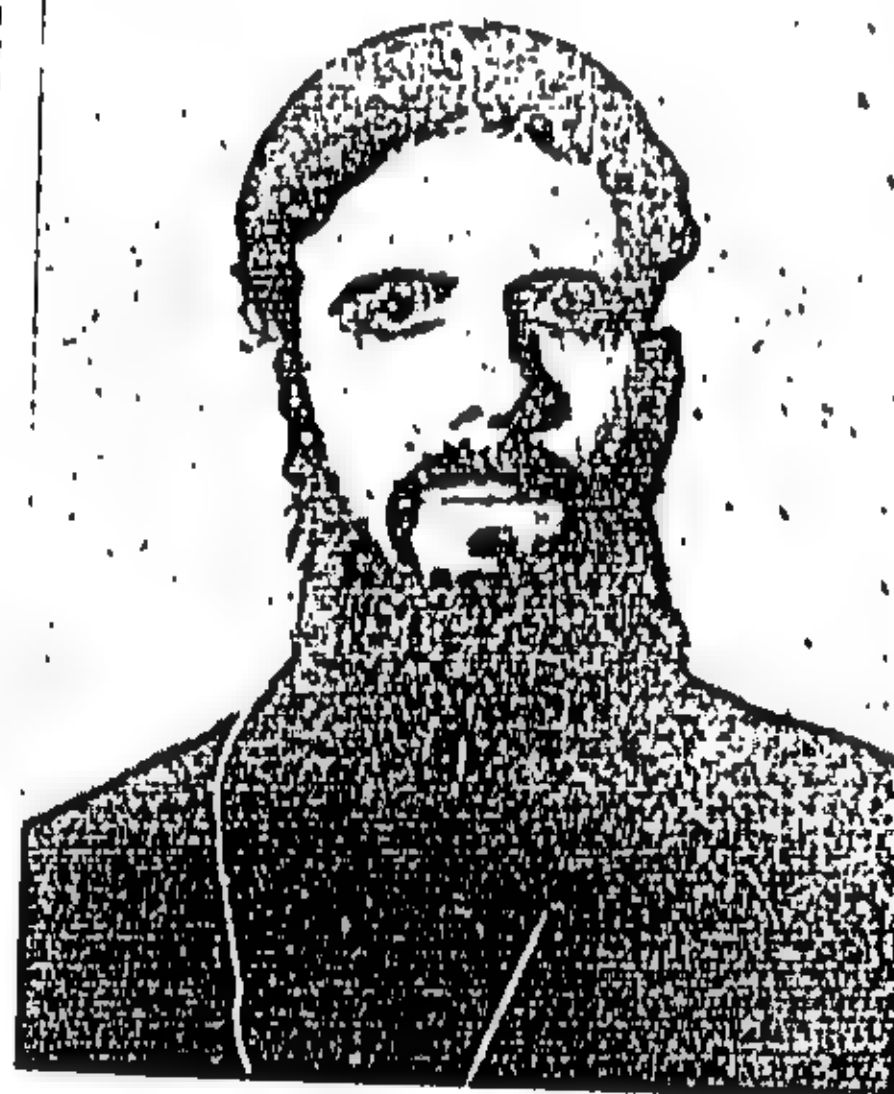
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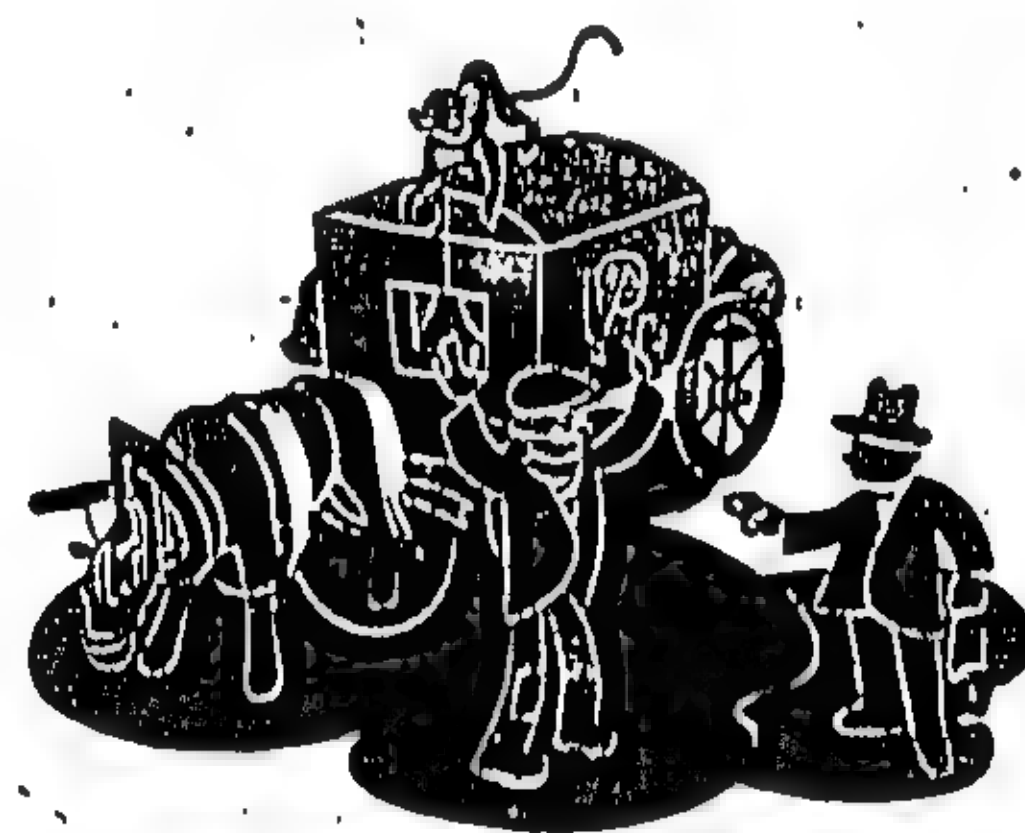
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## Paris Alarm At Hainan Occupation

PARIS, YESTERDAY. WITH ONE ACCORD THE FRENCH PRESS RAISES ITS VOICE AGAINST AN OCCUPATION OF HAINAN ISLAND.

Some papers suggest that France, in conjunction with England, will send a strong protest to Tokyo.

Insisting that Anglo-French solidarity is nowhere more evident than in the Far East, "Le Journal" urges that precautions should be taken by both Governments.

Other papers stress the coincidence of the occupation of Minorca and Hainan, and describe the events as the "faithful and unerring working of the designs of the Berlin-Rome-Tokyo triangle against the Democracies."

Political circles in the French capital were already hinting this morning that the British and French Governments were about to lodge sharp protests in Tokyo.

According to "Le Jour" and "Figaro" the wording of this protest — it is not known whether it will be a joint one — was discussed when Sir Eric Phipps, the British Ambassador in Paris, called on the Foreign Minister, M. Georges Bonnet, last evening.

**DIRECT CHALLENGE**  
"Figaro" contends that the Japanese action is a direct challenge to the Democracies undertaken to see whether they will remain silent in the face of accomplished facts.

Vigilance and caution — that will have to be the French motto in this matter. The same task devolves to a like degree on England, which owns Hong Kong.

**NEED FOR SOLIDARITY**  
Nowhere more than in the Far East in the face of the growing Japanese Imperialism does the need for Anglo-French solidarity become more apparent.

Meanwhile the papers in London this morning publish lengthy comments.

The diplomatic correspondent of "The Times" points out that the occupation affects French as well as British interests, as the traffic routes to Indo-China and Kwangchowwan can be dominated by the nation which holds Hainan.

**WARNING TO JAPAN**  
The correspondent recalls that the Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Mr. R. A. Butler, declared in the House of Commons in June last year that the French and British Governments had warned Japan that occupation of the island by Japan was bound to lead to un-

WOULD NOT GO QUIETLY

## MADRID REJECTS TRUCE Miaja And Negrin To Fight To Bitter End



A large number of unemployed staged a demonstration outside the Houses of Parliament in London on January 31. They attempted another "sit-down strike" but were prevented by the police who arrested a number of them. Mr. Chamberlain's umbrella, which is now world famous, is getting another sort of fame. The demonstrators nearly all carried umbrellas with slogans and protests painted on them. This man refused to go quietly.

## FRANCO'S RELATIONS WITH ITALY STRAINED

LONDON, YESTERDAY.

INSPIRED HOPES IN BRITAIN AND FRANCE THAT THE REPUBLICAN COLLAPSE IN CATALONIA WOULD CREATE AN ATMOSPHERE SUITABLE TO THE ARRANGEMENT OF AN ARMISTICE AND PEACE IN WARTORN SPAIN WERE DASHED TO-DAY WHEN MADRID'S RADIO BROADCAST THE DECISION OF DR. NEGRIN AND GENERAL MIAJA TO FIGHT TO THE BITTER END.

The announcement has profoundly disappointed London, which sees the result as inevitable, so much so that unconditional recognition of the Franco Government by Britain was, and is, confidently expected within a week.

It was thought earlier that Britain would make Italian withdrawal a condition, but it was felt that such an attitude would only encourage the Republicans to further resistance and unnecessary bloodshed.

The moment was regarded as particularly propitious as foreign correspondents in Burgos report that, because of recent developments, General Franco's relations with Germany and Italy had become strained.

Much of the success achieved by Anglo-French diplomacy however, has been jeopardised by the Madrid decision, which, says Reuter, followed the arrival of Dr. Negrin, the Premier, and Sanor del Vayo in the Madrid zone.

As a result of the conference with General Miaja, the populace of Madrid are steeling themselves for further resistance.

Any doubts that may have been entertained regarding whether the war was to go on, have been swept away, Reuter comments.

**MORALE HIGH**  
The appointment of General Miaja, saviour of Madrid, to the supreme command of the army, navy and air force, is taken as a sure sign of the Government's intentions.

The morale of the people remains high, while the newspapers are unanimous in stressing that the Government is still strong and exhorting soldiers and civilians to make a supreme effort.

**ITALIAN ANNOYANCE**  
Meanwhile (Trans-Ocean reveals) British diplomatic activity in Spain has aroused "suspicion" in Italy.

"Giornale d'Italia" says that London and Paris are hoping to make the Burgos Government amenable by offering financial assistance.

An "outburst of hypocrisy" is the description applied to humanitarian efforts such as those which resulted in peaceful surrender of Minorca.

"Tribuna" accuses France of blackmailing Burgos, and says that there are still people who think the power of money is irresistible and unlimited.

"Spain's new friends are speaking a language one usually associates with the ghetto."

"L'opore Fascista" writes in the same strain, and says, Britain aims at bringing about speedy termination of hostilities and at getting, by diplomatic means, on good terms with the victor. This explains why Franco is being offered all kinds of economic advantages.

**CAUSTIC GERMANY**  
Trans-Ocean also gives lengthy extracts from German commentary.

### NEGRIN INSISTS ON CONDITIONS

Madrid, Yesterday. Determination to fight until the conditions laid down at the Cortes meeting on February 2 have been fulfilled, was announced by the Premier, Dr. Juan Negrin, in a statement from Madrid.

Madrid is at present the capital of territory still remaining in Republican hands. The conditions were withdrawal of all foreign troops from Spain, the Spaniards to be allowed to choose their own regime, and freedom from reprisals after peace is restored.

### ELEVEN KILLED IN MANDALAY SHOOTING

RANGOON, YESTERDAY. IT IS OFFICIALLY ANNOUNCED THAT 11 WERE KILLED AND 19 INJURED IN A SHOOTING AFFAIR IN MANDALAY YESTERDAY.

The incident was connected with the civil disobedience campaign now sweeping Burma.

Police fired on an unruly crowd after repeated warnings.

## I.R.A. OUTRAGES AT PORTSMOUTH, SKEGNESS AND TWICKENHAM

London, Yesterday.

A bomb outrage by the Irish Republican Army at Portsmouth, a suspected attempt on Twickenham rugby ground (where England are playing Ireland this afternoon), a huge fire in Manchester (so far not traced to the I.R.A.), and another fire at Skegness.

These were events last night and to-day which have kept Scotland Yard and the provincial police on the alert.

### DEFENCE STEPS IN PAPUA

Port Moresby (New Guinea), Yesterday.

A number of Australian engineers have arrived here to study the defence of Papua. It is understood that an artillery expert is arriving very soon in order to plan battery positions for the island's defence.

The explosion at Portsmouth occurred in the electric power station, where a bomb was set off late at night. No damage was sustained.

In London to-day, when a train arrived at Paddington with large crowds of spectators to see the International Rugby match at Twickenham, Scotland Yard detectives met the train.

Five men in the crowd were taken to the police station for questioning.

The rugby ground at Twickenham was guarded last night to prevent untoward incidents.

### MANCHESTER FIRE

Meanwhile in Manchester to-day, the biggest and most rapid outbreak of fire seen in the Lancashire city in the last 20 years, destroyed the interior of Kendal Milne's stores in the centre of the city.

All five floors were seen to be burning at one time.

A series of mystery explosions, "like rifle fire," were heard.

Firemen fought the blaze but the Manchester police state that as far as their investigations showed, the fire was not due to I.R.A. activities.

Three explosions started another big fire at Butlin's Holiday Camp at Skegness, in Lincolnshire, this morning.

Fire broke out in one of the dining halls but was soon controlled. — Reuter.

### NAZI PURGE IN VIENNA

Vienna, Yesterday.

Six of ten Nazi leaders in Vienna have been replaced, according to a statement by the Nazi Commissioner to-day.

The Commissioner, however, did not confirm a report that a number of arrests have been made. — Reuter.

### Briton In Clash With Pirates

Shanghai, Yesterday.

The British vessel Alexandra, owned by the Shanghai Tug and Lighter Company, this morning had her second adventure with pirates in two days.

Yesterday, the Alexandra was attacked by pirates with 600 Chinese on board, ten being drowned when they jumped overboard in the panic which ensued.

This morning the Alexandra was boarded by about 80 pirates as she was anchored in a port in the lower Yangtze.

The pirates damaged the wireless and forced the commander, Captain J. T. Inch, at pistol point to tow a goods-laden junk for three hours.

The pirates disembarked at their destination, whereupon the Alexandra proceeded to Shanghai. — Reuter.

## Presence Of French Warships Confirmed

Paris, Yesterday.

Reports of the presence of French warships in the immediate vicinity of Hainan Island are confirmed by the Quai d'Orsay.

It is emphasized that the French warships will find out on the spot what is actually happening on the island and will obtain information on the extent of the Japanese occupation.

The presence of French warships near Hainan, official French quarters declare, has not the character of a demonstration.

It is added that the movements of French warships between the French possession of Kwangchow, north of Hainan, and the Gulf of Tongking, are nothing unusual.

Negotiations between England and France on the steps to be taken in Tokyo are reported to be still going on. — Trans-Ocean.

### INFORMATION SOUGHT

Paris, Yesterday.

The French Government has instructed its Ambassador in Tokyo to ask the Japanese Government for information on the proposed duration and extent of the Japanese occupation of Hainan Island, it is learned from reliable sources.

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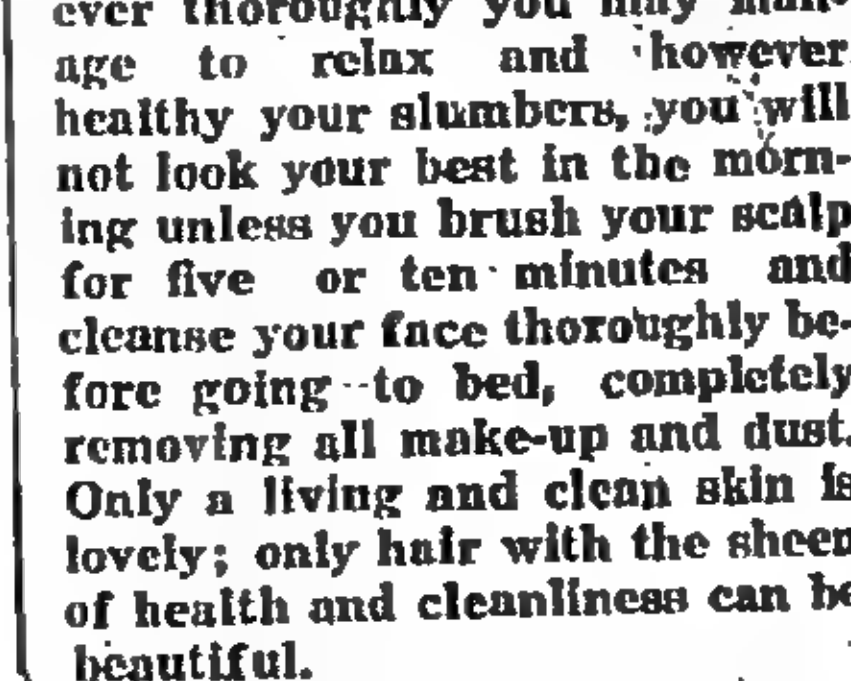
Have the courage to  
resist the temptation of  
highly seasoned and  
highly sweetened foods.  
If you must indulge—



The girl right has neglected  
one of the primary essentials of  
beauty—grace. Don't let your  
body sag either when walking  
or when sitting, like the girl in  
the picture. A little thought  
given to your carriage is more  
important than "physical".  
Takes less time, too.

Above, right, you see the right  
way to use a powder puff—by  
dabbing lightly, never by rub-  
bing. Use a washable puff, and  
cleanse frequently.

Never apply your make-up too  
thickly, not only because this  
clogs the pores of the skin, but  
because it robs your face of its  
living and natural expression.



First step towards charm is  
healthy, restful sleep. But how-  
ever thoroughly you may man-  
age to relax and however  
healthy your slumbers, you will  
not look your best in the morn-  
ing unless you brush your scalp  
for five or ten minutes and  
cleanse your face thoroughly be-  
fore going to bed, completely  
removing all make-up and dust.  
Only a living and clean skin is  
lovely; only hair with the sheen  
of health and cleanliness can be  
beautiful.

Above, left, you see step  
No. 2. When you apply cream to  
your face, whether for clean-  
ing at night or foundation for  
make-up in the morning, always  
massage with a gentle upward  
and slightly circular movement,  
using tips of the fingers only.

Wrong or heavy massage  
movements, highly scented  
soaps and creams and too hard  
water are all enemies to the  
skin. Whenever possible, and  
particularly at the end of the  
day, cleanse face and hands  
with a little cream before and  
after washing.

## Women Without A Grievance

MANY of those who have  
never known the joy  
and zest of devoting time and  
energy to progressive causes  
think that those who do are  
actuated, if not obsessed, by  
some personal grievance.

My experience is just the op-  
posite. The woman with a gri-  
evance never reaches any goal.  
A personal grievance, even a  
just one, is the most destructive  
force in the world.

It is the childless people who  
fight most bitterly against  
limitation of families, the un-  
satisfactorily married who op-  
pose legislation that will free  
others for a new life. Professor  
Freud could tell you why.

Conversely, it is those who have  
known the fulfillment of com-  
pletely happy marriage partner-  
ship who have worked for  
divorce law reform.

It is women who have achieved  
a satisfactory amount of inde-  
pendence and equality of part-  
nership in their married lives  
who are organising the Married  
Women's Association, which  
came into being last year, and  
first news of which appeared  
on this page.

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## BETWEEN US GIRLS

By Esther



To frizzle or  
not to frizzle  
—that's the  
question which  
always comes  
up when  
there's a cu-  
linary discus-  
sion of Cream-  
ed Chipped Beef.

We belong to  
the school of frizzlers, and after  
you try this recipe we believe  
you'll be converted to frizzling  
the beef in butter first, too.

Creamed Chipped Beef is a  
grand lunch for the children  
who come home with vigorous  
appetites after hours of school.  
Made with Carnation Evaporated  
Milk, it is rich in the bone and  
tooth building elements, calcium  
and phosphorus. And here's a  
suggestion to incorporate even  
more milk nourishment: serve  
Creamed Chipped Beef on a  
mound of fluffy mashed potatoes  
prepared with Carnation Evap-  
orated Milk.

### Creamed Chipped Beef.

2 tbsp. butter  
3/4 lb. dried beef  
2 tbsp. flour  
1 cup boiling water  
1 cup Carnation Evaporated  
Milk

Melt butter in a frying pan.  
Pull beef apart, removing any  
stringy portions, and frizzle in  
the hot butter until edges curl.  
Sprinkle flour over beef. Stir  
with a fork to blend well. Add  
boiling water. Boil until sauce  
begins to thicken, then add milk  
and finish cooking. Serve at once  
on thin hot toast, or on mashed  
potatoes. Yield: 6 servings.

By using Carnation Eva-  
porated Milk, it is possible  
to make Creamed Chipped Beef  
in a saucepan directly over the  
flame. The milk is added just  
as the sauce begins to thicken  
and there's not the slightest  
chance of scorching. And it  
can be prepared so quickly this  
way. Creamed Chipped Beef is  
a "short-order" favourite!

### Milk for Beauty

Don't stop drinking milk just  
because you are grown up now  
and there is no one to make you  
take it. Milk is definitely bene-  
ficial to the skin.

### Men Do Notice

To discover if men really  
possess all-seeing eyes, we ask-  
ed three men to write down a  
number of faults which they  
found irritating in women. Here  
are some of their disconcert-  
ing criticisms:

They disliked women who  
"Get lipstick on their teeth;  
pick varnish off their nails;  
wear anything that dangles or  
jingles; have freckles on their  
backs; let their eyebrows and  
get rained out on their fore-  
heads; let their hair fall out;  
take shoes off under the table;  
flutter their eye-lids; have coat  
collars littered with fallen hair;  
suck cigarette-ash everywhere,  
usually on our trousers; show  
untidy shoulder straps; fidget  
with their hair."

### H. G. Wells Says:

A scolding wife can say end-  
less disconcerting things, and  
she hits or misses; but a silent  
woman says everything.

## BLACK FROCK

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of early autumn has a rag-  
lan top ridged with tucks, and  
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pleats and tucks—flattering  
across the skirt.

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sweet, and infinitely useful  
for autumn wear with its small  
matching muff that is half black  
velvet and half ermine.

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Paris is a glass case with a  
gilt rim and a nautically cor-  
rect compass at the top pointing  
to the north, east, south, and  
west.

ON your most severe evening  
frock wear a brilliant fish,  
which has a little electric light  
for its eye.

OVER a hunter's green dress  
of lightweight wool with a  
flared skirt wear a short fitted  
jacket with a tiny collar hug-  
ging the neckline, and leg o'-  
mutton sleeves.



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your lips to bring  
out natural beauty

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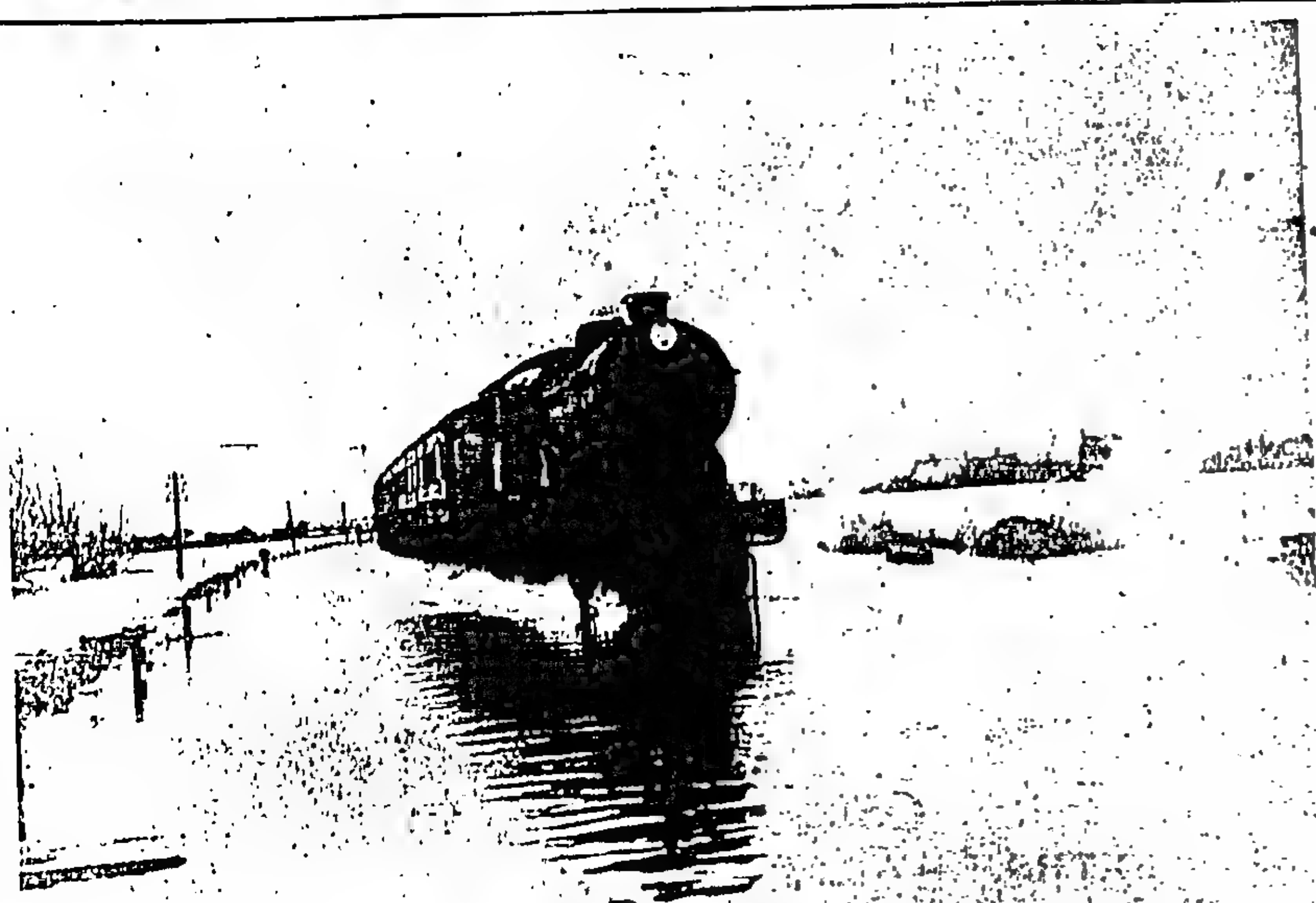
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# "One Of The Greatest Popes As Well As One Of The Most Saintly"



Hundreds of men a fortnight ago, watched for breaches in the banks of rivers in the Fen country scene of disastrous floods, two years ago. Photo shows the railway line outside Littleport station under 12 inches of water, with a train in the floods waiting to enter the station. (Air Mail).

## NATIONAL DEFENCE DEBATE

London, Yesterday.

It is understood the Opposition is asking the Government for a day in the House of Commons for discussion of the question of national defence as a whole before the Service Estimates are discussed individually, and also a separate day for discussion of questions relating to A.R. P. — British Wireless.

## RUMOUR THAT FRANCE WILL USE GOLD

Burgos, Yesterday.

Spanish newspapers are bitter in their comments on rumours that France, in order to cover the cost of maintaining refugees, will retain a part of the Spanish gold deposited in Paris by the Bank of Spain.

The "Diario Vasca" writes: "We cannot believe that the French Government could be

## Germany Gains Nothing By Barter

London, Yesterday.

The Secretary of the Department of Overseas Trade, speaking at Lincoln last evening, said that German export trade methods had not improved their position relatively.

They had merely served, by their uncertainty, to disturb the markets and to ensure that both they and others in many instances received an uneconomic price for their goods.

The Federation of British Industries had, therefore, a good chance of finding their opposite numbers in a quite reasonable frame of mind for negotiation, though the actual work of preparation was complicated and detailed and would necessarily take some time. — British Wireless.

thinking of such measures which would be in flagrant contradiction to the sacred obligations of justice. We therefore attach no importance to these rumours. We merely draw attention to the fact that such proposals, even if nothing more than rumours, arouse doubts that would ill serve a neighbour state.

When our martial duties are at an end, we shall be more at leisure to examine our relations with other powers. — Trans-Ocean.

## GERMAN PLANE CRASH

Madras, Yesterday.

The German plane, "Arado 79," holder of a long-distance flight world record, crashed yesterday morning at Madras after the propeller had been broken by a large bird flying straight into the plane.

The pilot, Lieutenant Pulowski, of the German Air Force and one Indian passenger, son of a high Law Court official, were killed. — Trans-Ocean.

## DALADIER PATCHES UP WITH M. BLUM

PARIS, YESTERDAY.

THE PREMIER, M. DALADIER, HAS SUCCEEDED IN IRONING OUT THE PERSONAL TENSION BETWEEN HIM AND THE SOCIALIST LEADER, M. LEON BLUM.

This success has caused a great sensation in the Chamber Lobbies. Just after Blum and Daladier had ended their conversation, however, the Socialists let it be known that they would oppose the Government's plan to appoint a new French Ambassador to Franco's Government.

The Socialist Party has joined the "Group of Franco-Spanish Friendship" which openly avows its intention to support the Regime.

## Jewish Statement On Palestine Unrevealed

London, Yesterday.

Yesterday's proceedings at Saint James Palace, where the Palestine discussions are in progress, consisted of a meeting between the British and Jewish delegations at which the statement made on behalf of the Jews by Doctor Weizmann on Wednesday was under consideration.

Contents of Dr. Weizmann's statement will not be made public until Monday.

Yesterday the Colonial Secretary, who was accompanied by the Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs, informed the Jewish delegation of the view taken by the British Government of Dr. Weizmann's statement, and the meeting adjourned till Monday.

There will be a meeting between the British and Arab de-

## Bishop Valtorta Issues A Call To Prayer

Pope Pius XI was one of the greatest Popes in the history of the Church, says Bishop H. Valtorta, Vicar Apostolic of Hong Kong, in a message to the Clergy and Faithful yesterday concerning the death of His Late Holiness.

"WE HAVE RECEIVED," THE MESSAGE SAYS, "THE UNEXPECTED AND SAD NEWS THAT OUR HOLY FATHER, POPE PIUS XI, IS NO MORE."

"It seems as if God has accepted and ratified the sacrifice of his life, which the late Pope made, when at the end of last September he offered himself to God as a victim for the cause of peace in order to avert the scourge of a general and terrible conflagration which then seemed imminent and inevitable.

"Peace has been saved. "We trust that God will grant us this grace full and complete; and that peace will not have been saved merely for the time being, but that the calamity of a universal war has been definitely averted.

"Deep in the heart of the Pope was graven the sorrow arising from the Sino-Japanese war, and fervent were his prayers that here too peace might reign. May we not hope that because of his sacrifice peace will soon be restored.

"If so, no nobler end could have come to a life so full of merits and glorious deeds as was that of our late Holy Father. The world could not offer a grander victim. Being the Vicar of Christ, Pope Pius XI did as Christ did, doing good throughout his whole life and at the end offering himself in sacrifice for the peace of the world. He was one of the greatest Popes in the History of the Church as well as one of the most saintly. While his deeds will live in history, may his example be an inspiration to all.

"We trust that Jesus Christ has already welcomed His Servant into His Kingdom of Heaven. But before God even the Angels are not pure. Following, therefore, the beautiful custom of the Church, let us pray for the repose of His Soul.

"We do, therefore, hereby invite all Priests, Religious and the Faithful to offer Masses, Holy Communions and prayers for him.

"In addition to these private prayers we order all Priests to add in the Mass the official prayer (or "Collect") "Pro defuncto Pontifice" until the 16th inst., and then to substitute for this Collect the one: "Pro eligendo Summo Pontifice."

LONDON, YESTERDAY.

King George VI has telegraphed to Cardinal Pacelli and expression of his sympathy on the death of His Holiness, Pope Pius XI. The message was handed to

public Government as long as any part of Spain is still defended against Franco.

It seems premature to report that Franco-British "de jure" recognition of General Franco will be made public on Monday. — Trans-Ocean.

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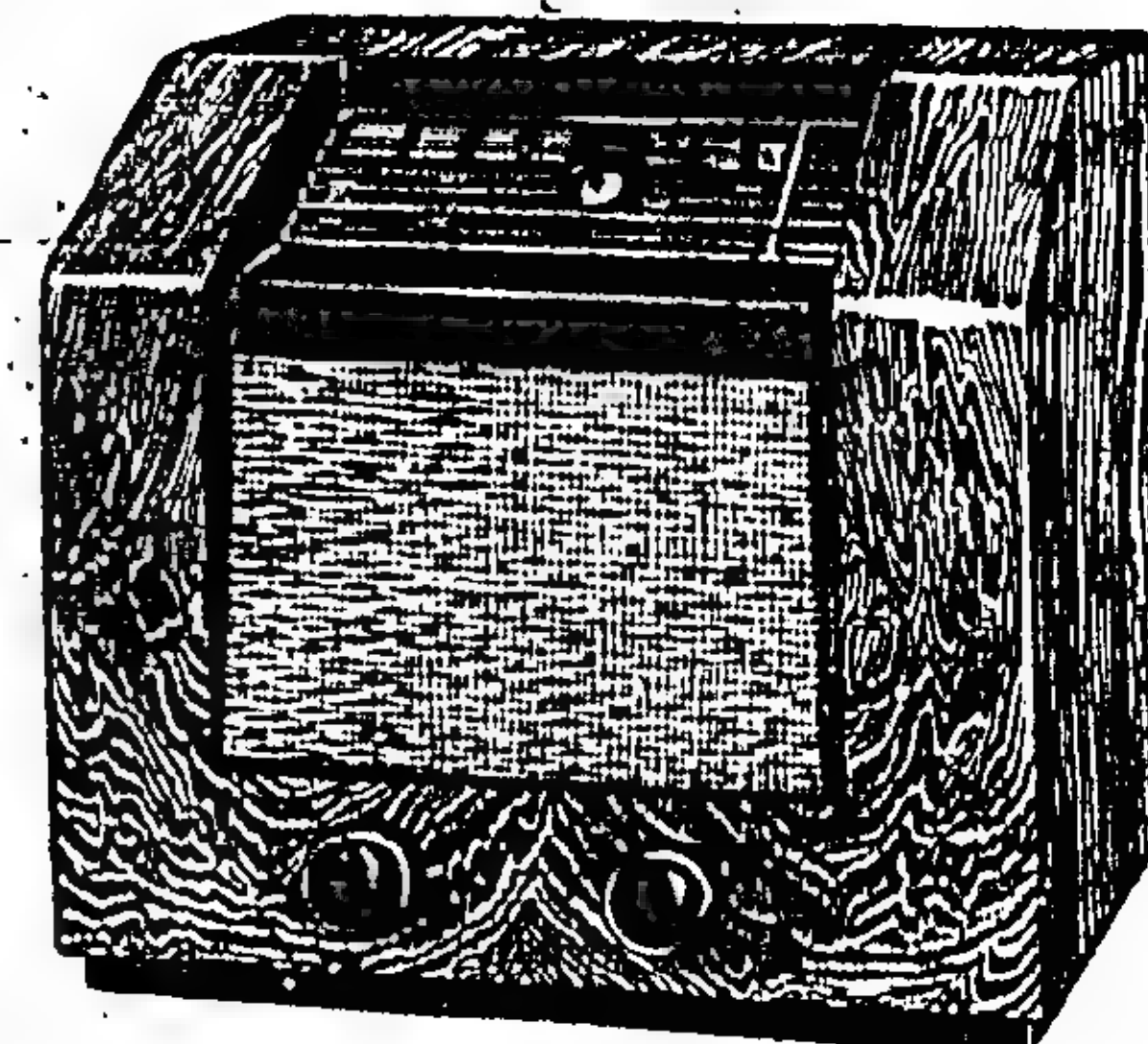
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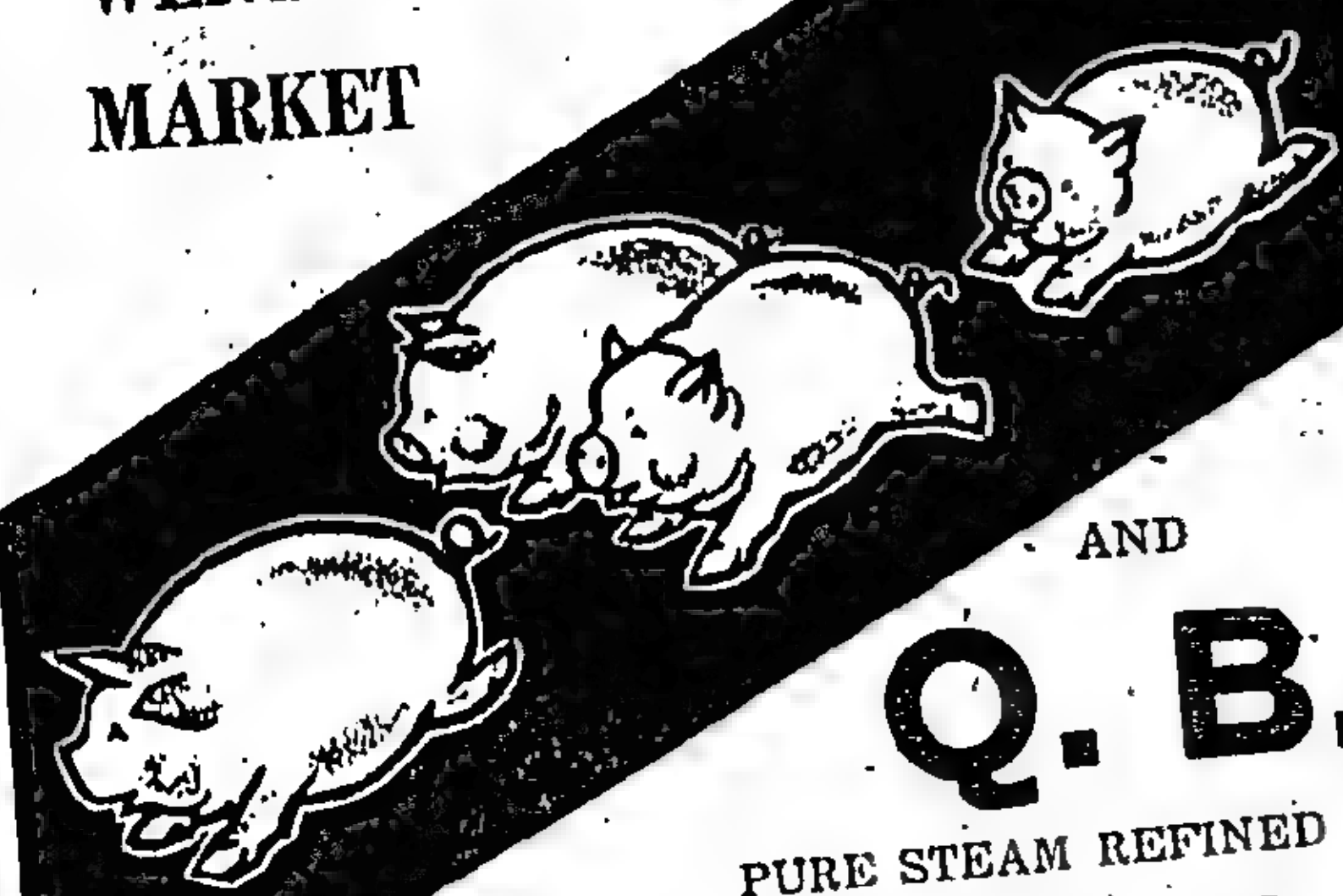
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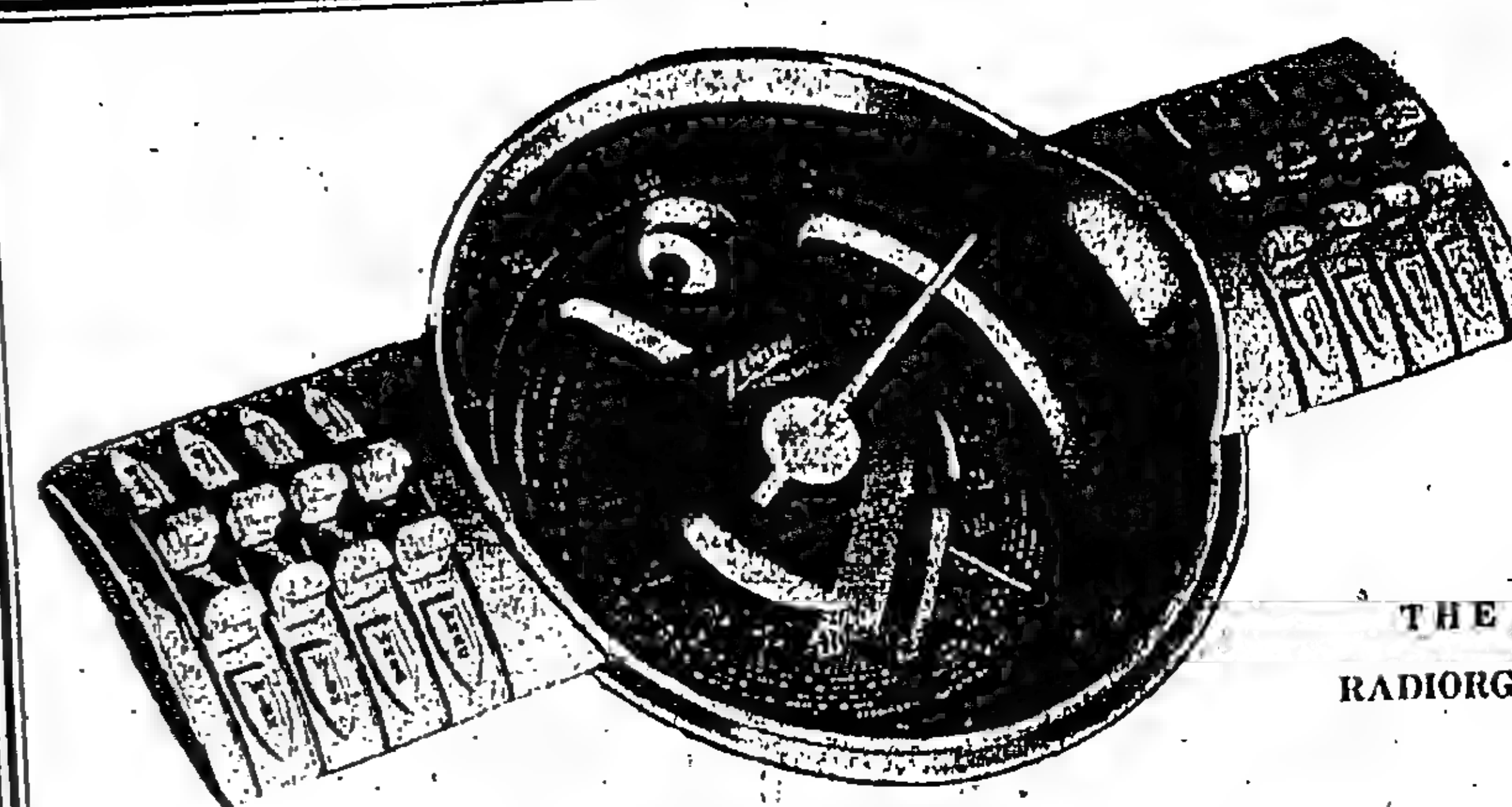
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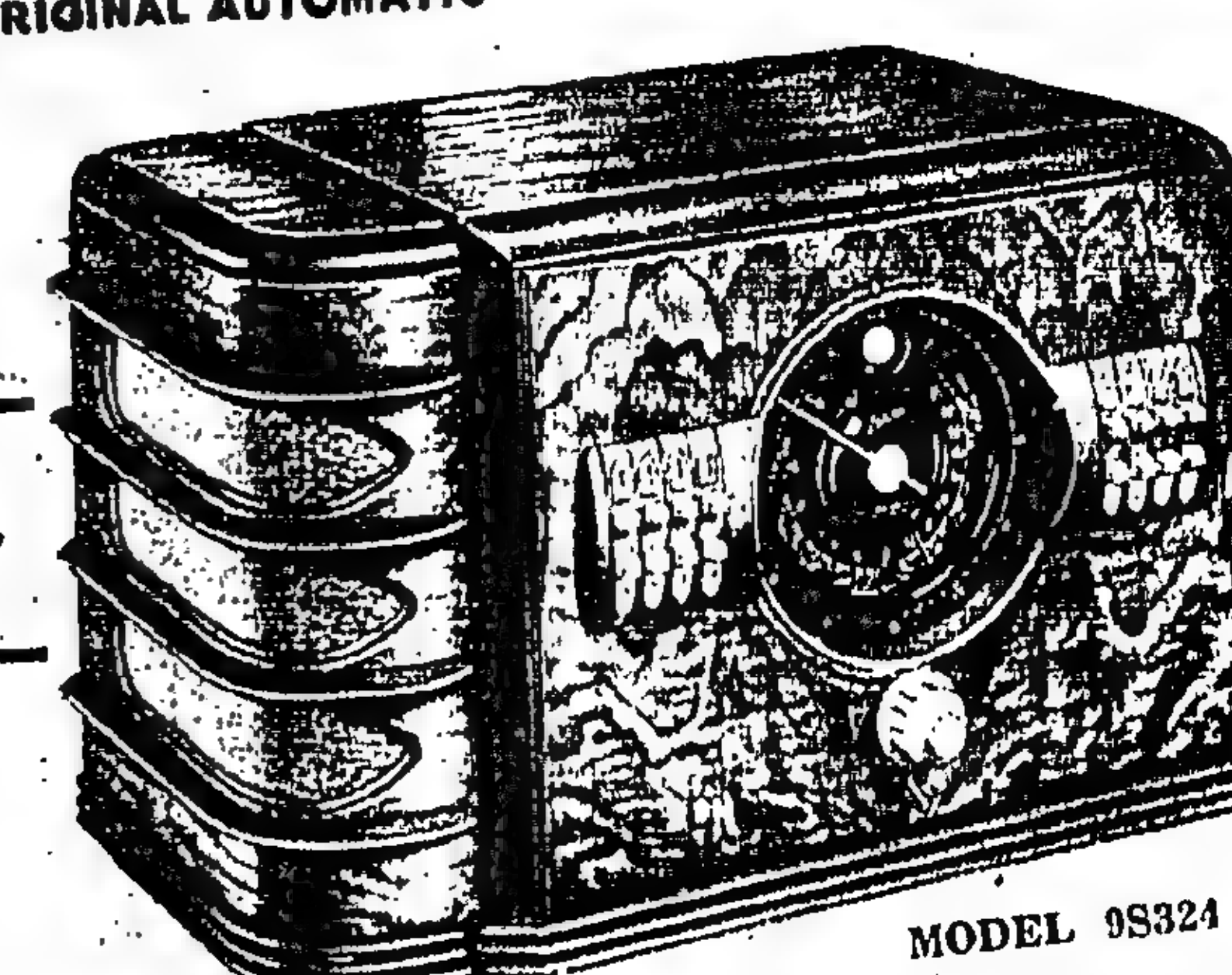
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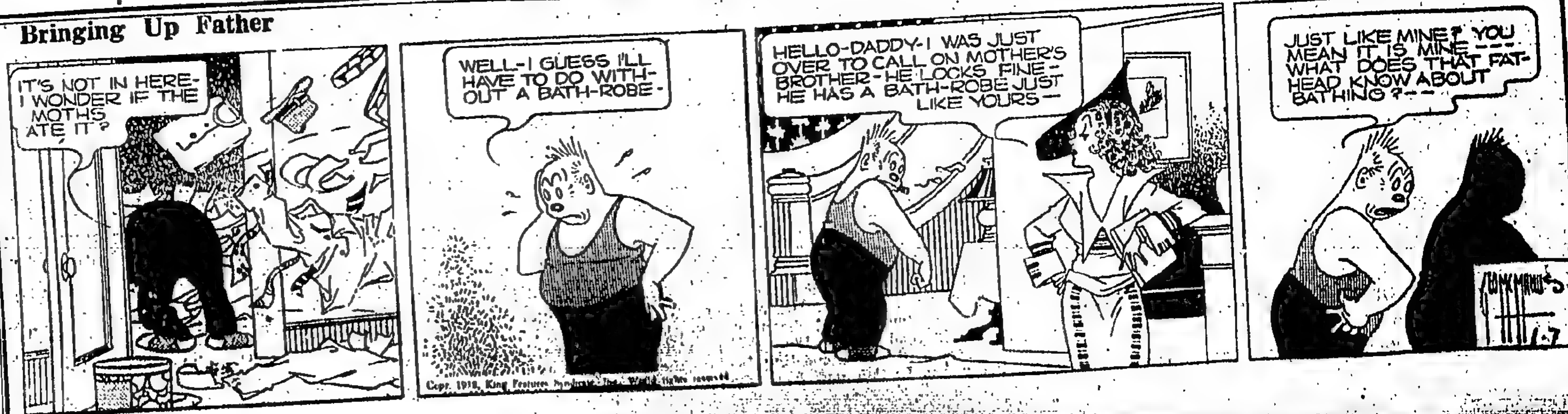
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By George McManus

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Mr. and Mrs. Koo Kai-tak, and members of their family.

## GOLDEN WEDDING OF H. K. CHINESE COUPLE

("Sunday Herald" Special)

Mr. and Mrs. Koo Kai-tak, of No. 97, High Street, Hong Kong, have just celebrated their golden wedding anniversary.

The unique occasion was marked by a Chinese dinner party which was attended by scores of friends (including foreigners) and relatives.

Mr. Koo is 77 years old and Mrs. Koo 69. They were married at the former Basel Mission Church at West Point, now known as the

Kau Yan Church, on February 4, 1889.

Mr. Koo was formerly a preacher, but retired in 1926.

**30 DESCENDANTS**  
They have two sons, Mr. Koo Sin-hong, who is attached to Dr. C. H. Wan's Clinic, and Mr. Koo Kwok-chu, who is in business in Annam.

Of four married daughters, Ching Lin, Ching Oi, Ching Wan and Ching Kwong, the first two are in Vancouver, the third in Hong Kong and the fourth in Java. The eldest is 48.

Mr. and Mrs. Koo have 20 grand-children, and four great grand-children.

## QUICK RECOVERY AFTER ILLNESS

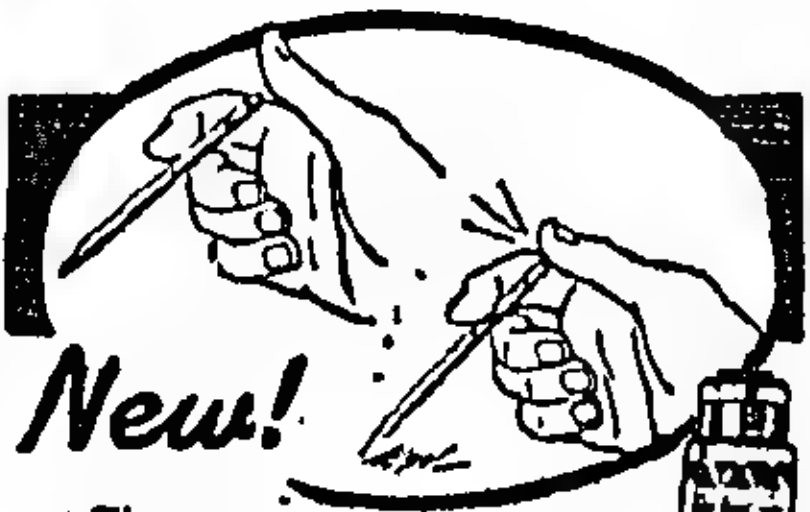
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## LOCAL WEDDING

Miss Flora Abella Markham, artist, became the bride of Mr. William Alfred Allen, musician, of No. 12, Lock Road, Kowloon, at the Registry yesterday morning.

The ceremony was conducted by the Deputy Registrar of Marriages, Mr. T. J. Gould, and the witnesses were Messrs. Frank Stoffer and William Cunningham.

## TO BE WED

Miss Alison May Bedgood, described as a lady's maid, residing at the Repulse Bay Hotel, has announced her forthcoming marriage to Mr. John Fraser Anderson, engineer, residing at No. 11, Brannan Terrace, Quarry Bay, Hong Kong.

## Plans For Dog Show Near Completion

Arrangements are almost complete for the Dog Show to be held at St. John's Place on Sunday, March 19.

At a meeting of the organising committee held on Thursday and attended by Mrs. Kilburn-Morris, Mr. E. C. Frederick, Dr. H. G. Watson, M.R.C.V.S., Mr. Y. Fung, Mr. W. T. Stanton, Mr. N. Ruston and Mr. H. M. Howell, it was decided to invite H.E. the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote to become Patron of the Show, and Mr. Frederick was elected President.

The Hon. Secretary is Mr. H. M. Howell, and Messrs. Thomson and Co. have offered to act as Hon. Treasurers.

Several leading local firms have signified their willingness to act as guarantors of the Show to a limited extent in exchange for stalls which will be given for advertising and sale purposes, and several local residents and firms have been good enough to offer Silver Cups as prizes.

Following communication with the China Kennel Club in Shanghai, affiliation for a nominal fee had been definitely arranged, and conduct of the Show under the Rules of the Kennel Club of London are thereby assured.

The Committee elected to take charge of entries are Mrs. Kilburn-Morris, Mr. Fung and Mr. Howell; and the Committee in charge of the ground will be Mrs.

# CHINA'S MYSTERY PLANES

## Rocket-Interceptor-Fighters To Be Supplied By U.S.A.

### Sensational Disclosure Of Big New Contract

("Sunday Herald" Special)

A MYSTERY AEROPLANE, KNOWN IN AVIATION CIRCLES AS THE "ROCKET INTERCEPTOR FIGHTER," WILL SHORTLY BE DELIVERED TO THE CHINESE AIR FORCE IN LARGE NUMBERS, THE "SUNDAY HERALD" LEARNS FROM A RELIABLE SOURCE.

The planes, product of the famed American company, Curtiss-Wright, and described as "bullet planes" by experts, are one of the most formidable weapons of defence yet produced.

Aviation circles are of opinion that the new planes, which are expected to be delivered in China in the near future, will give Japanese bombers the greatest surprise they have received in the Sino-Japanese hostilities.

Main features of the new craft, which have not yet been delivered to the United States Air Force, are their phenomenal climbing ability, armour plate protection for the fighting pilot and amazing firing power.

The new planes, the "Sunday Herald" is informed, combine the best features of a rocket and a pursuit plane.

The biggest thing about them is the 1,000-horsepower engine. The stubby wings span only 35 feet, and the cockpit has barely room for its pilot and instruments. They weigh slightly more than 4,000 lbs. with a full load, and are 26.5 feet from cowl to tail.

The seat is armoured to deflect bullets from behind and below, points of greatest vulnerability.

**CLIMBING POWER**

Known as the CW21, the planes can train their twin machine-guns on the average attacking bomber within three minutes after the raiders are reported overhead.

To fulfil their function as "interceptors" the planes must quickly reach high altitudes. They can soar 5,000 feet in 1.6 minutes, 10,000 feet in 2.8 minutes, 15,000 feet in 4.2 minutes and 20,000 feet in less than six minutes.

**300 MILES AN HOUR**

Most of the bombings in China and Spain have been carried out from around 7,000 feet, though a few have been made from as high as 20,000.

To chase enemy bombers and their protecting pursuit planes the CW21 can cruise at more than 300 miles an hour at 17,500 feet, and can climb easily to 35,000 feet with their two-speed superchargers and oxygen for the pilot.

On the 36 gallons held by their gasoline tanks, they can cruise 600 miles at normal speed.

**STING IN THE NOSE**

Unlike the hornet that they resemble, the CW21 have their sting

in the nose, where twin machine-guns, one .30 and one .50 calibre, are synchronised to fire through the three-bladed constant speed propeller.

It is this propeller, together with the duplex superchargers on the Wright Cyclone engine, that make for the amazing rate of climb of the new interceptor.

The propeller automatically varies the "bite" of its blades according to the angle of climb or descent, and feathers into a fine edge for landings with the engine dead.

Although 300 miles an hour is officially the speed of the new wonder planes, the "Sunday Herald" learns that their top speed is far greater, though how much so is being kept a closely guarded secret.

## 'TREASURE HUNT' AT Q.C.

The thrilling prospect of a "treasure hunt" awaits the boys of Queen's College on their return to school in about three weeks' time after the China New Year holidays.

It all arose out of a remark by the headmaster, Mr. de Rome, to one of the old boys, Capt. Bosman, who arrived in the Colony recently on a visit.

Mr. de Rome told Capt. Bosman that he had been trying to locate the site of the foundation-stone of the College—which is one of the oldest buildings in the Colony.

Capt. Bosman said that he remembered the ceremony attendant upon the laying of the foundation-stone quite vividly.

**OBSURED BY TIME—AND RUBBLE**

The stone, he said, was in the north-east corner and had apparently been obscured in course of time by the deposit of quantities of rubble.

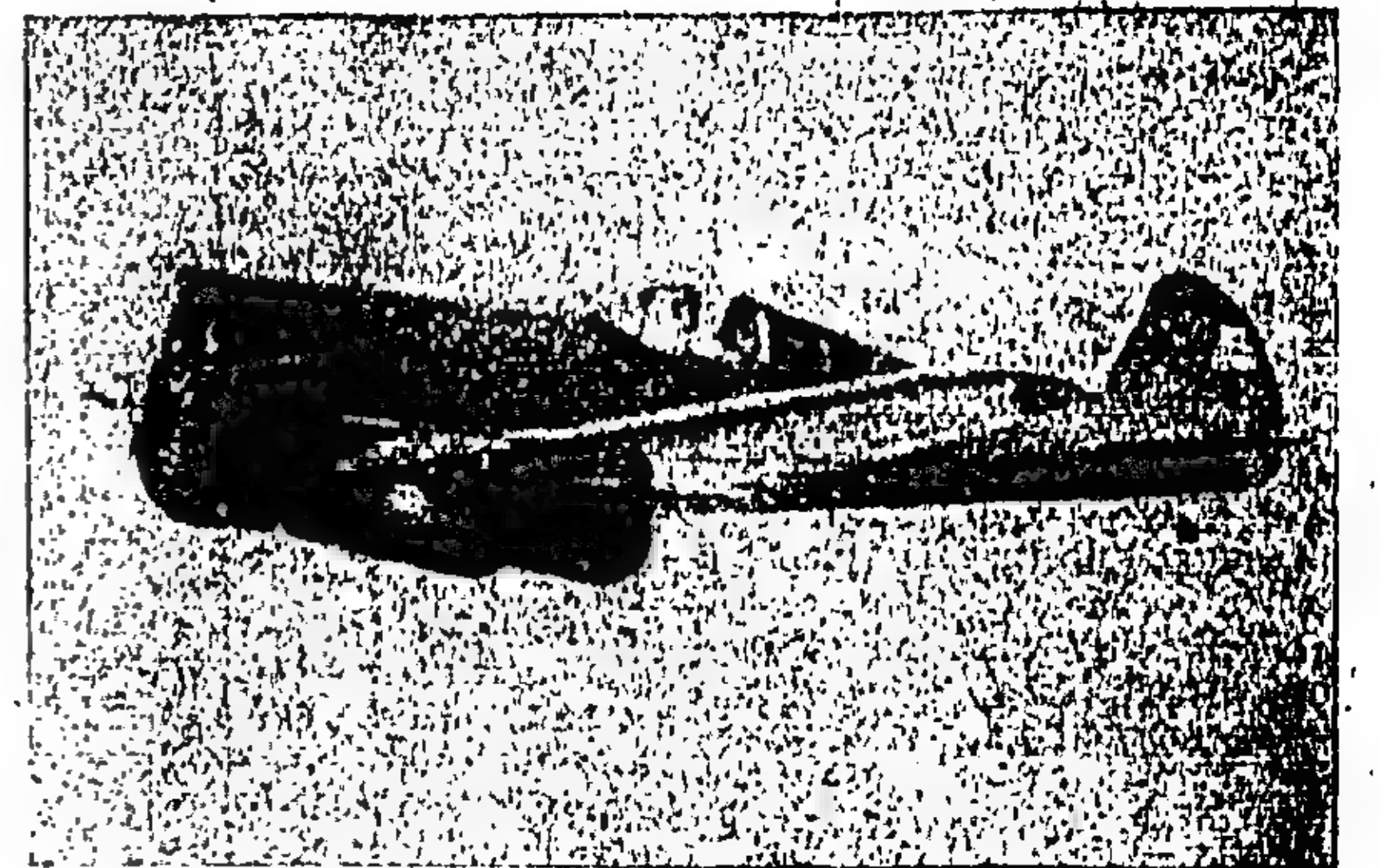
Underneath the stone, Capt. Bosman revealed, were a number of gold coins, placed there by those who attended the ceremony.

Mr. de Rome told the "Sunday Herald" yesterday that there was little doubt that there was a quantity of gold under the foundation-stone and an effort will be made to find the stone after the holidays, which recently just commenced.

## B.F.R.D.C. SUBSCRIPTIONS

Following is the latest list of subscriptions received to date for credit of the British Fund for Relief of Distress in China, Hong Kong and South China Branch: Previously acknowledged \$428,000.45

The Hong Kong Chinese Restaurant, Cafe and Tea Houses United Association	503.87
C.M.E. Girls' School	46.41
Onge Schan Tchow	20.01
Nancy Ching	30.00
The Ho Cheong Tong Employees	22.30
The Public Works Recreation Club	50.00
The Hong Kong Chinese Dancers' Association	488.80
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$429,801.84</b>



An engine with wings—the new American "mystery" rocket-interceptor, which is to be supplied to the Chinese Air Force.

## RECEIVING CHARGE

## Marcal Acquitted

Faust Leonard Marcal, Portuguese broker, charged with receiving four boxes of silk knowing they were stolen or unlawfully obtained, was discharged by Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Magistracy yesterday, the Magistrate holding that on the evidence of the prosecution, there was no case to answer.

Evidence of negotiations between Marcal and Mr. M. M. Lookoomall, of the Britannia Silk Store, real owners of the silk, was given by Mr. Lookoomall, who said that he made a comparison between the silk offered and certain samples and found the silk belonged to him.

When he went to defendant's house, defendant told him that Roy (B. K. Murjani, who had acted for some time as manager of the Britannia Silk Store) had said the goods were not to be sold to any silk store, especially not the Britannia.

**"DOUBLE CROSSED"**  
Mr. N. Das, of the Tajmahal Silk Store, said that defendant told him that he had been "double-crossed" by Roy and wanted to know where to find him. He also said that he had paid \$15,000 for silk from Roy, which had not yet been delivered.

Det. Sgt. Dewar said that defendant reported to him on January 16 that Roy Murjani had given him a bad cheque. Margaret Wong confirmed a statement by Marcal that he had paid Roy \$15,000 for silk at the Canadian Cafe.

**RATE OF PROFIT**  
When Gurbux Singh was recalled, Mr. Edwards pointed out that under his arrangement with Marcal he was to make a profit of \$200 in ten days on a loan of \$1755, on cast iron security. He asked what was the maximum rate of interest allowed.

Gurbux Singh replied that he did not consider the difference to be interest, but profit.

Mr. M. A. Silva pointed out that the rate of interest was about 240 per cent. per annum.

Gurbux Singh said that the terms were Marcal's. Naturally, if something good was offered him, he would take it.

## CHINESE COUPLES WED

Several Chinese couples were married before the Deputy Registrar of Marriages at the Registry yesterday morning.

Among them were Miss Lau Shun-ying, teacher, and Mr. Wong Man-sung, merchant, residing at No. 15, Castle Peak Road, Kowloon. Messrs. Au Luk-cha and M. Chu Wing were the witnesses.

A reception was given in the afternoon at the Ying King Restaurant, Wanchai.

The former President of the Hong Kong English Forum, Mr. Peter Man Fook Kwong, of the American Lloyd, Limited, was married to Miss Ena Kam Ting Fung, of No. 12, Yuk Sau Street, Happy Valley.

Miss Hung Lai-yu, of No. 7, Babbington Path, was married to Mr. Lai Chi-kong, clerk attached to the Urban Council.

Mr. Peter H. Shi, the local solicitor, residing at No. 17, Kent Road, has reported a burglary at his residence on Friday night. The total loss was only \$47.

## WOMEN'S A.R.P. UNION

## LADIES PASS IN TESTS

The A. R. P. Officer announces that the following ladies have successfully passed the A. R. P. Anti-Gas voluntary aid course:—

Home Office A. R. P. Memo No. 5:—Mrs. Diana F. Forrester, Mrs. J. E. Wilson, Mrs. M. E. Hernan, Mrs. W. M. Kirk, Mrs. E. G. Brooks, Mrs. C. P. Colley, Mrs. Dorothy Hawes.

The Commissioner of St. John's Ambulance Brigade announces that the following ladies have passed the St. John's Ambulance Brigade Grade I Instructor (external) Examination:—Mrs. Albert Raymond, Mrs. M. K. Lo, Mrs. Winifred Dalziel, Mrs. Mackenzie Kennedy.

The following ladies have passed the St. John's Ambulance Brigade (local branch) A. R. P. Certificate Anti Gas V. A. Course (written):—Mrs. Dorothy Gladys Lissaman, Mrs. Emma Raymond, Mrs. Dorothy Mabel Somers.

Anti Gas V. A. Course (oral):—Mrs. Annie Cheng, Mrs. Violet Chan.



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PERFUMERY SECTION



## The Art Of Kathleen Parsons

spent several months in the studio developing figures, models, designs to take to the Pottery. When, her despatch case packed tight with ideas, she was

**S**HE went on studying and experimenting. Ideas came from the theatre, the cinema, people she met in the streets. Some of her designs wouldn't sell

**H**ER final decision was formed by a chance remark of a friend of the family who, holding the unshakable opinion that anything that was useful could not be beautiful, and that anything that was not useful was purposeless, applied her opinion to the art of the potter. Kathleen determined "she would shew her."

**T**HROUGHOUT her career at the art school there were people who said, "Dress designers ride to work in Rolls Royces, and window designers in Fords. But designers of pottery are lucky if they've any work to walk to."

**B**Y this time, Kathleen should have realised her mistake, torn up her railway ticket and gone in for domestic science or bee-keeping. But she didn't. She got on the train and went to Stoke.

at all, others sold in moderate quantities. Some of the things she esteemed most were failures, whilst pot-bollers caught on at once. When wall plaques became popular, she was commissioned by Crown Devon to do a series of dogs' heads. This entailed visits to the owners of champion dogs, winners at Crufts, and a close study of canine anatomy and of those 'points' which distinguish champions 'from other dogs. She drew dozens of sketches before she was satisfied. Then they were submitted to a judge of the kennel club, to be pronounced 'point-perfect'. In the strictest sense of that term they are not, perhaps, works of art, but they are among the most striking and attractive ornaments I have seen.

The rest was amazingly easy. Walking into the showrooms of a famous firm of potters, and deciding after a glance at their models that her own were a lot better, she got hold of the managing director and told him so. He looked through her portfolio and agreed.

**T**HEN he sighed. "I'm afraid the travellers won't like them, though," he said. "I've had some wonderful ideas through my hands and the travellers frown on them all. They say that nothing new has any chance of selling." The trade is one in which the travellers are a strong factor in determining the policies of their firms. They are supposed to understand the market better than anyone else, and a manufacturer, though he may disagree with them, will hesitate to override their advice.

**I**N the six years before her marriage to Mr. A. L. Fisher and her departure for Hong Kong, over 200 of her designs were accepted by famous pottery firms. She has brought some of her models with her, and I saw them a few days ago. The one shewn with Mrs. Fisher herself, vibrates with grace and youthful vitality and there is perfection in every anatomical detail. If it isn't what women look like, it is how they should look. The dog in the foreground may not be art, but it is a clever piece of modelled humour.

Kathleen Parsons (Mrs. A. L. Fisher) with beautiful specimens of her art.

through a window in front of the kiln, she saw a hopeless, molten, bubbling mass. When it had cooled down two hours later, she took it out. Almost undreamt of effects were to be seen. The molten glaze had cooled down into lovely lines resembling the ribs of the bird and the seething bubbles had subsided into finely etched, delicate feathers. The colour contained new and ex-

## Z.R.W. Programmes

**I**N putting on the air an uncensored debate on its own short-comings, Z.B.W. might have felt some trepidation. Acting as Aunt Sally to sharpshooters of unknown quality, it might easily have been shot to bits. But it need not have feared. The marksmanship was poor. Aunt Sally was able to retire almost unscathed, the worst scars being caused by the back-firing of the defence. Or, to put it differently, Z.B.W. suffered less from the criticisms of Mr. Jeffreys than from Mr. Shaw's faint praise.

Most amusing in the debate was a completely irrelevant disquisition on the subject of producing contented sausages by encouraging them to wallow in filth. Mr. Shaw strove to find some subtle oratorical device by which he could connect the pigs with the listeners, but fortunately for our conceit, he couldn't manage it.

The Y.M.C.A. must be congratulated on their enterprise in staging the debate, Z.B.W. on its courage in inviting attack. The fact that casualties were few, however, does not mean that effective ammunition is not to be had. The best point, brought out by both speakers, was that the broadcasting company frames its programmes as if Hong Kong were a suburb of London, without activities, interests or talents of its own. Although there is some justification for the criticism written by "Wishful" in a local contemporary, there is a good deal of social and intellectual activity in the Colony, and there might be more with encouragement by Z.B.W.

My own complaint is that the programmes are anaemic. They lack vitality. Their function should be to act, not as a soporific, but as a stimulant. There are many ways in which a little life might be instilled into our listening. Debating is one of the best, and, although this one was not quite up to standard, it has at any rate shown what can be done.

Mr. C. K. McLolland, executive of the Standard-Vacuum Oil Company, is on a business visit to the Colony.

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Most of the people now flocking to the **PETER MUSIC COMPANY**, are spending their dollars here because they know they can always find their favourite record in stock. That's one nice thing about this shop which cannot be said of every other. No matter how popular the piece, walk in three weeks after its release, and come away with the number tucked under your arm. The **PETER MUSIC COMPANY** specialise in Decca, Columbia, Brunswick and Pathé recordings, and because they get in a large stock, their customers are never disappointed. Catalogues, giving complete information as to the selections in request. Records may be taken on approval and will be sent free on request. Records may be at least ten and returned within twenty-four hours, and their prices are at least ten per cent. lower than elsewhere. Find them at 30-32, Des Voeux Road.

Come February 27th, a half-price sale will commence at EXCELLENT, 189, Nathan Road, and the lovely dresses you now see marked at thirty odd, will go for fifteen and a bit. Already, the wise shoppers are making a mental reservation of the frocks they intend to secure, and we advise you to do the same—then, though the temptation to snap them up well ahead of time. If you can afford to do this, do it by all means, because the odds are ten to one that someone else will get there first! We can see ourselves, and you, wearing the beautiful warm rays of the sun in a glorious cretation which combines one of the new teamsters pairing black and grey, for that matter, and our appreciative eye has no doubt, The all creats are stunning, too, and our appreciation to obtain. So glistened many a liltng number which we are all-iminent to obtain. So it's roll along the 27th, and don't let us catch you napping that day. The early bird . . . but need we say it!

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Lovely underwear. What woman doesn't desire them? **AT THE LINEN CHEST** feminine flannels are sculptured to fit, and my lady they fit. Busts are molded, skirts are clinging, and bodices are plentifully massed with delicate floral embroidery. There are gowns with the new heart-shaped neckline. Some of these go in for embroidered bands under the bust. In this group there is an exquisite number in white satin which a true woman would not fail to see. Buy it along with the gown that features a bust-length georgette top sprinkled with tiny flowers—like the footprints of a sparrow, or a georgette bodice entirely made up of handwoven petals. Both durable underthings can be purchased in downy pleats, singly low in either case. The choice of colors includes all shades. Materials take in satin, (pale or brocade), silk and georgette. The latter are very naughty, but very nice coats, too, which have that kind of sweep and swoop recommended by Lynn Fontanne.


Are you a good mother? Does your child look to you as the one person in the world who can be relied upon to do the right thing? If your answer is in the affirmative, then you probably have **WATSON'S Worms** in the house, but if not, then this paragraph is intended for you. Worms are very troublesome to some children, setting up irritation and constitutional mischief if they infest, and working much to tell by these symptoms extirpated. You can generally tell by these symptoms if your child has worms... grinding of teeth, itching of the nose, irritation of the rectum, and a very irregular appetite. **WATSON'S Worms** - Cakes will not only remedy the situation in no time at all, but is also presented in an attractive sweet form acceptable to children. Manufactured from the finest

A high-contrast, black and white photograph of a person in a dynamic, contorted pose, possibly a dancer or acrobat, against a dark background. The figure is captured in a moment of intense movement, with limbs extended and body arched. The lighting is dramatic, highlighting the contours of the body against the deep shadows. The image has a grainy, artistic quality, emphasizing form and motion over detail.

"Deer," which gained second prize in the Procter and Gamble international competition.

own, persuaded her to enter for the Proctor and Gamble Prizes, awarded at an international competition held each year in New York. Competing against over 5000 professionals and amateurs from every part of the world, she gained second prize for her group "Deer". Impressionistic in design, it is outstanding in its virility and freshness.


**H**ER success did not serve to abate the fears of her friends. Leaving school she



Temptation lurks in **MISS NAYLOR'S** establishment—ready to trip you at every turn. Crepes and printed silks, splay cottons and linens, have all the appliances to make you break every resolution you ever made. With the Derby in mind, get yourself a gorgeous gown, silk with bunches of ripe coloured fruit and gaily looking feathers blazing a dazzling trail over its surface. Shivering under the bust, at neck and shoulders, gives you a style that will appeal to the young girl in you. A brooch of twisted rings, echoing the red and yellow and green tones in the print, secures a bow to the V neckline, and dangles the two ends midway to the knees. A real blue crepe trails a ridge of knife pleating across the front from shoulder to shoulder, and is ornamented with a brooch of gold roses from which hang a miniature axe, bell and shovel. Crepe, the colour of burnished gold, is quilted on both sides of the bust, and there is a perfectly adorable navy blue whose bodice is gay with embroidered flowers, marching along in orderly fashion, and

Prices are as young as the fashions here.

American twin sets, comprising cardigan and jumper, have arrived at **ELITE STYLES**. No ordinary twins these, but a pair of pretty cute looking youngsters, guaranteed to steal the show from all other sets in existence. Angoras are incredibly soft and cuddlesome, and come in many warm new shades. Styles are either strictly tailored (neatly zipped and pocketed), or else they achieve that blue-eyed baby look with the aid of floral embroidery. In a few which belong to this latter class, the embroidery is done with wooden beads. Handbags are new at this address, too: . . . and in case the fact has slipped your mind, a 20-50% discount sale is now in its closing stages. Only four more days left to buy English and French woollens at prices which are not repeated with any frequency. This shop will be open to-day from noon to 8 p.m. in order to accommodate its customers and give them the advantage of low prices for high quality goods. Queen's Road.



Spring prints and cottons, in gay, splashy designs or the more delicate patterns, are fashioned into stimulating frocks at **DOLLY YARDEN'S**. The inviting array fills you with a sense of hopelessness as you stand undecided as to which one you want most. Should you make your sensational appearance at the Derby in that "spring and infinitely feminine belonging-to-another-era" silk print and top it off with a Gibson Girl bonnet all tied with fluffy net bows and a dash of dramatic beauty with or should you enliven your pale dramatic beauty with that gloriously colorful and excitingly daring 1898—that gloriously colorful straw toqué all wrapped in bright glamour-girl frock and wear a high straw toqué all wrapped in bright shades of chiffon? A difficult question for you alone to decide! But whatever you choose you're bound to find something here in cotton prints or spritzes—new in both style and design. You will want to stock up on several of the buttoned-down-the-front styles which are so cool and easy to wear. Prices for these frocks are easy on the eyes and pocket book, too.

They're here at last, those practical, colourful and doleable suits in finished cotton that are washable, uncrushable and unshrinkable, and you can get them at very little cost and no trouble at all at MRS. WILKINS' Styles. are inspiring, and the teaming of colours is beautiful to behold. We suggest a grey-black suit with tomato red touches because it has fluted breast pockets and unusual button trimming, or a simple pink and number with navy blue loops, giving the lapels and front opening. A sky-blue featured a multi-coloured horizontally striped skirt—both tones of matching blue, navy, white and red. Those suits are either two-piece or three- and have short sleeves. Bony Belle frocks too. The "Tailored Girl" arrivals here, too, and are made of baby chassikim, silk and gauze, your skin as silk. Spring hats are also new, and there are several good-looking formal gowns in hand-painted georgette net, tulle. Noticeable among the latter is a grey decollete gown, with half-moon insets of gold lace. Room 836, Wang Hing Building.

Further examples of exquisite workmanship.

**T**HIS nude figure again reminded her of the traveller. They were horrified, genuinely horrified. It was impossible they insisted, that any respectable citizen would permit one in his house. Nude figures, discreetly hidden away in museums, were one thing, but in a private drawing-room, it was unthinkable. It was indecent. In any case, they said, the best London shops would refuse to stock them. Their wives were indignant too. They weren't going to have their husbands walking round with naked women in their sample bags. One man had the flourent row of his married life when he took it home.

It seems incredible that in this era of enlightenment—it wasn't so long ago that it happened—that such objections could be raised. It sounds funny, or just silly, but the salesmen and their wives were in deadly earnest. As a result of their prudery, a best-seller was almost scrapped.

One of the ambitions of the artist in pottery is to find glazes which will bring out new effects, new combinations of colour, more striking contrasts of light and shade. It requires that the designer must be not only an artist, but something of a chemist too. It is the sort of thing that some artists work on throughout their career, but never find. Once more, or less by accident, Mrs. Flower almost achieved this. With a bird in flight as her model, she experimented with a glaze containing copper, and tin, oxidized. Gradually the process of firing





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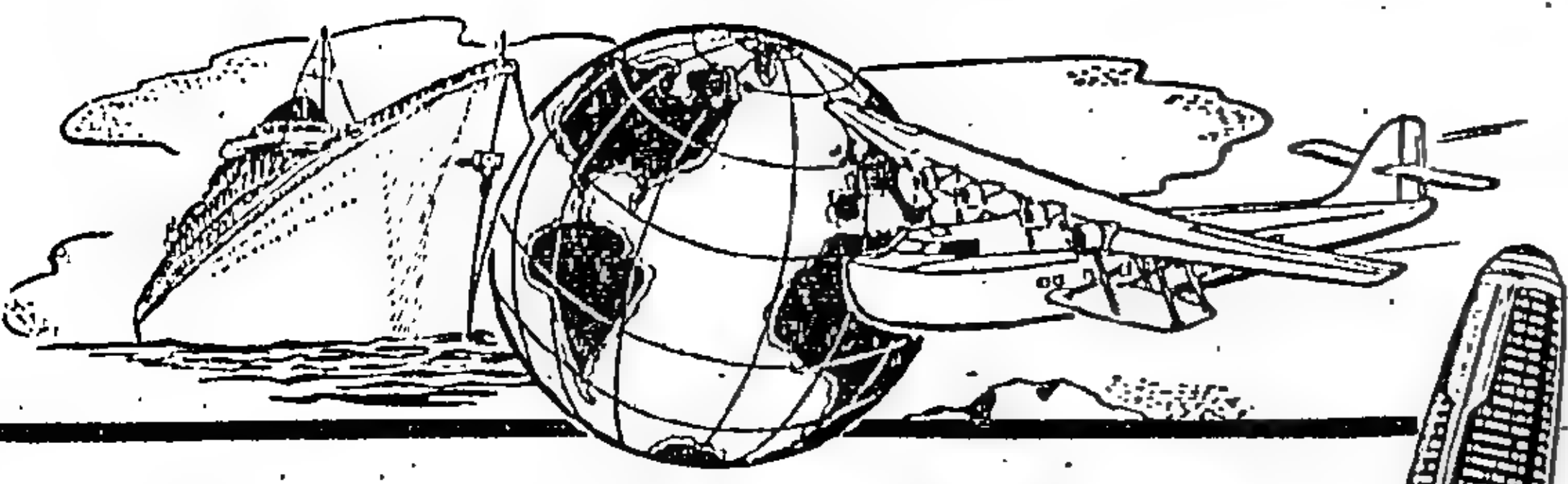
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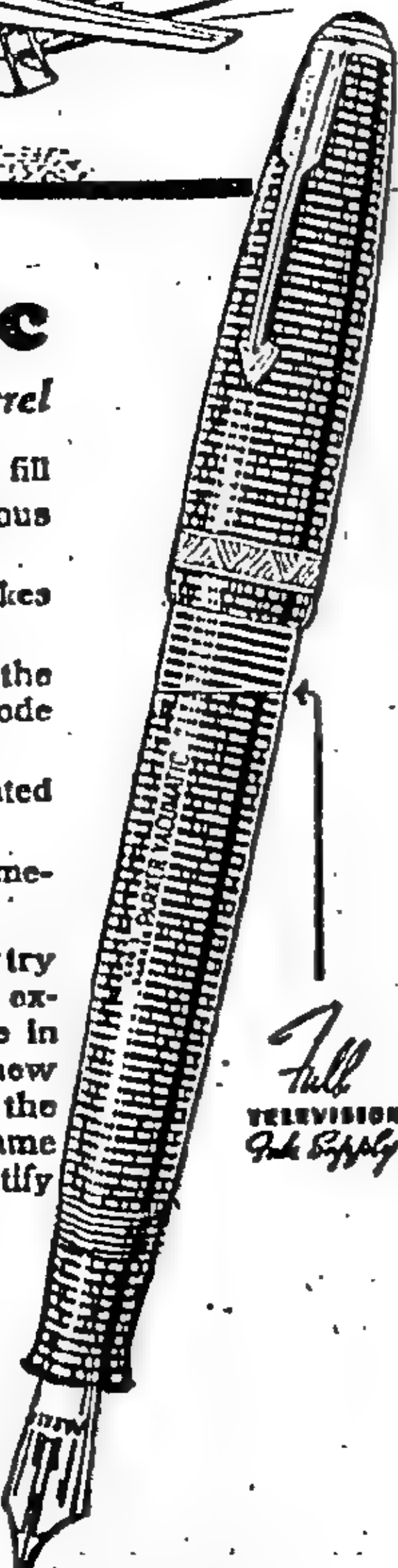
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# Must England Await Catastrophe In Order To Apply The Cure?

## Mr. Chamberlain Must Decide

THE House of Commons has met and it now seems certain that this is the last session of the present British Parliament. Unless some major catastrophe takes place in the interval, there will be a General Election in the Spring or the Autumn. Before that election takes place the Prime Minister must decide upon what platform he is going to the country. Will he go as the head of a coalition, representing different lines of political thought, or as the leader of a solid band of followers, firmly united in complete agreement on all important political issues of the day?

It will then be eight years since the National Government was formed in order to meet an emergency. It was when formed a genuine coalition. A Government that included Lord Hailsham, Lord Samuel and Lord Snowden was a Government of men sincerely holding profoundly different political views, who were willing to co-operate temporarily in order to surmount a crisis.

**Differences Disappear**

One of two things must ultimately happen to such a Coalition. It must either break up or settle down. The differences of opinion that divide its members must either render prolonged co-operation impossible or they must disappear. They have done the latter. The three statesmen referred to above—the true Tory, the true Liberal and the true Socialist—have all left. What remains is, no doubt, an excellent Government and all the better for the fact that it is of one mind. Nobody really believes that Sir John Simon is more of a Liberal than Sir Samuel Hoare, and it is betraying no secrets to state that the harmony of the Cabinet has never been disturbed by the socialistic opinion of Mr. Malcolm MacDonald or the Earl of De La Warr.

The British Conservative party has a wonderful digestion. This is not the first time that it has swallowed its opponents and assimilated them. In the eighties of the last century, the Liberal Unionists proved quite a mouthful, including as they did so violent a radical as Joseph Chamberlain. Yet down they all went and none of them came up again, and he who had been suspected of republicanism became the most conservative pillar of the right wing, apostle of Empire, protagonist of Tariff Reform. A similar fate has befallen the British National Liberal and the National Labour Parties.

**Signature At The End**

Nobody can claim to-day that it is possible to detect the slightest difference of view in the election addresses of candidates belonging to these three branches of the National Government, and the only difference in the letters of encouragement that they receive from their respective leaders is the signature at the end. The National Labour Party, which was once a genuine home for those who had lost their causes, has now become a lodging house for the unemployed, of whom it can at least be said that they are genuinely seeking jobs.

But is there any harm, it may be asked, in retaining labels even if they have lost their meaning? There is. In these days, when parliamentary institutions are discredited in the greater part of the world, it is of the first importance that where they are retained they should be entitled to and should receive respect. To perpetuate a sham is to risk the forfeiture of respect. National Liberalism and National Labour, which were perfectly genuine in their origin, have now become un-

realities. In every great party there must be different shades of opinion and such differences of shades exists to-day among the Government's supporters but it is not reflected in the party labels. The so-called Liberal and Labour members of the coalition do not even represent the left wing of the Conservative party. They include many admirable Members of Parliament, but they represent nothing, and the sooner that plain fact is faced the better.

**Broad Blanket Title**

If objection be taken by some of the British Government's supporters to the name of "Conservative" which has never been an altogether fortunate one, they can adopt that of "National"—a broad blanket which will cover everyone. It may be said that no party has the right to assume an adjective which should apply to all, but we have had the example set us by the Socialists who have usurped the proud name of Labour, to which they have no better claim than their political opponents.

In addition to the advantage that must naturally accrue from getting rid of an unreality, one important gain that would arise from the sinking of these purely imaginary differences would be the freeing of the British Prime Minister's hands in the selection of his colleagues. At present he cannot appoint an Under Secretary without going into an abstruse mathematical calculation in order to be sure that the National Liberals and the National Labourists are maintaining their correct percent-

By The Rt. Hon.  
Mr. Alfred**DUFF  
COOPER**Former First Lord Of  
The Admiralty

age of representation. Many appointments have been due to the necessity of meeting these claims. And they have not been the best appointments.

Timorous counsellors may urge that the names "National Liberal" and "National Labour," although they have ceased to mean anything to the initiated still carry weight with the electorate and to jettison them would be to sacrifice votes and to strengthen the Opposition. Honestly, however, pays in the long run and to strengthen the Opposition might be an advantage to the country. Parliamentary Government can hardly survive unless there is always present a respectable alternative Government. The inefficiency of the Labour Party ever since they formed the official Opposition has been a source of Britain's weakness during the last twenty years.

Before, however, the Prime Minister decides to go to the country at the head of an homogeneous body of supporters, holding one faith, maintaining one cause and called by one name, he has an alternative course of conduct which he should seriously consider.

The coalition of 1931 was formed in England in order to face a serious financial situation. The opinion may well be held that the situation in which the country finds itself to-day is far more serious than that of 1931. The danger then was bankruptcy, to-day it is destruction. It may well therefore be asked whether this is the time to fight a general election

upon party lines, whether this is the time to divide rather than to unite the nation.

**After Munich**

When the British Prime Minister returned from Munich, there were some who hoped that he might consider it a suitable opportunity to make an appeal for national unity and to invite the leaders of other parties to join with him in a reconstructed and truly national Government. He refrained from doing so and he was doubtless right. The difficulties at that time would have been very great and failure then would have rendered success later more doubtful. Those who were bitterly criticising the Munich Agreement could hardly, on the day after its signature, come into coalition with the man who had signed it. But months have passed and it is now admitted even by members of the Government—the President of the Board of Trade admitted it the other day—that the events that have followed upon Munich have proved profoundly disappointing. The time for recriminations has passed and it might now be possible to find a basis of agreement between parties. No difference of opinion can exist as to the gravity of the situation. No difference of opinion should exist as to the steps that must be taken to meet it. Which step to take first and the length of the stride are of course matters for discussion, but not it might be thought matters that should be debated at the hustings. Genuine differences of political thought certainly do divide the three parties now represented in the House of Commons. But such differences are neither more profound than those which eight years ago divided Lord Hailsham, Lord Samuel and Lord Snowden. If war broke out to-morrow all differences would disappear by mid-day. Must England await the catastrophe in order to apply the cure? Nor is anything more likely to avert that catastrophe than the spectacle of Great Britain's united determination to resist it.

If Premier  
Decides

If Mr. Chamberlain decides to ask for the support of those only who can give unqualified approval of his every action and unlimited confidence in his unflinching wisdom, he will probably obtain a working majority but it will be smaller than that enjoyed by either of his two predecessors and at a time when the need for national unity is greater. If, on the other hand, he appeals to his opponents to share with him the ever growing burden of responsibility, to forget the past in the dire need of the present and in firm defiance of the future, then there awaits him such a part to play in English history as has been given to few. He already enjoys a larger following in the country and a stronger position in the House of Commons than Mr. Ramsay MacDonald had in 1931 or than Mr. Asquith had in 1915. His opportunity also is greater than theirs. Will he take it?

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### Gross Insult To The Archbishop, Says M.P.

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HE IS COLONEL HARRY DAY AND HE IS TO ASK A QUESTION ABOUT THE GAME—WHICH ALSO MENTIONS THE DUKE AND DUCHESS OF WINDSOR.

"Scandal," Says M.P.

"I feel very strongly," he says "that a lamentable breach of taste has been committed."

"It's a scandal the way we continue to permit the ridicule abroad of British notabilities. The time has come for a vigorous protest. I regard it as a gross insult to the Primate."

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"The Love Game," as it is called, is the invention of a 19-year-old American girl, Dottie Davis. It is intended to "make everyone love-conscious" by introducing in 200 cards all the great lovers of history, such as Antony and Cleopatra, Romeo and Juliet.

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Canterbury sends you to exile."

Miss Davis, planning to make Britain equally "love-conscious," wrote to the Archbishop of Canterbury for his approval of the game.

Instead of the cordial reply she expected, Miss Davis has just received a letter from the Archbishop's secretary, stating very coldly that "the Archbishop cannot say anything in commendation of the game to which you refer."



At high tide on the afternoon of January 31, the Lode, a tributary of the Ouse, broke its banks at Lakenheath, Suffolk. An appeal was sent out for volunteers to build up banks with clay and sandbags and workmen and barges of clay were rushed to spot. Photo shows the sandbags at Lakenheath, where water reached the main road and railway. (Air Mail).

## PAPER THAT WILL NOT BURN

London, Yesterday. "Paper" that will not burn, cannot be corroded by acid, and can be used as an electrical insulator, has been discovered by research workers at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Known as "alsifilm," the new material is likely to become popular for wrapping foodstuffs, as it has no smell or taste, and can be made in a transparent form like cellophane.

## AMERICANS ALL MAD BY 2039

The United States has such a bad case of the jitters that there won't be anybody sane in a hundred years, says David Seabury, New York psychologist.

"We are on the verge of a mad era," says Seabury, "and following the broadcast of an 'invasion' from Mars and the fact that we spend more time teaching college students to raise pigs than how to raise children are evidences of our insanity."

"We live in 1939 mechanically, and in 939 socially, morally, and ethically. What can keep us sane? Two out of every nine marriages end in divorce."

## SPECIAL STAMP FOR KING'S VISIT TO AMERICA

London, Yesterday. The King and Queen and President Roosevelt may have their portraits all on the same postage stamp soon.

The U.S. is considering a special stamp issue to commemorate the Royal visit in May. The stamps, of three-cent denomination, would have the President's portrait in the middle with those of King George and Queen Elizabeth on either side of him.

The stamps, collectors prophesy, will eventually fetch high prices.

The Russian Orthodox Community in Hong Kong is to hold a Russian Musical Evening and Dance at St. Andrew's Church Hall on February 17th at 9 p.m. in aid of the Russian Orthodox Benevolent Fund. Prof.

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The 1939 Dollar Directory, again priced at \$1.00 despite a larger edition, will be on sale tomorrow.

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# What Does Mussolini MEAN?

By Rt. Hon.  
**Winston Churchill,**  
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Up till a few years ago many people in Britain admired the work which this extraordinary man had done for his country. He has brought it out of incipient anarchy into a position of dignity and order which was admired even by those who regretted the suspension of Italian freedom. The English, although opposed to the fascist idea, were glad to see Italy become a stronger nation, and in the sincerity of old friendship wished her well. Since 1935 great changes have occurred. The attempted conquest of Abyssinia, the violation of all pledges given to members of the League of Nations, the enforced retreat of the British Government from its sanctions policy have profoundly altered the historic relations of the two peoples. The invasion of Spain by regular divisions of the Italian army, the repeated sinking of British ships by Italian aeroplanes, and at one time by Italian submarines thinly disguised, have made a profound impression upon the British working classes: this has been worsened by the presence of non-intervention maintained unctuously and persistently in defiance of truth and fact.

In March 1938 Mr. Neville Chamberlain made a vehement effort to forget the past and restore the old friendship. He

forced Mr. Eden's resignation and became in fact if not in form his own Foreign Secretary. The Anglo-Italian Agreement was framed, and although the conditions about Spain prescribed by the British Government were not fulfilled, this agreement has now been ratified. In every respect it was favourable to Italy. Britain which had taken the lead in imposing sanctions to protect Abyssinia from aggression now took the lead in recognising the Italian conquest which has certainly not yet been completed. But neither the withdrawal of the Italian troops from Spain, nor the revival of former goodwill has required the Prime Minister's well-meant endeavours. His recent visit to Rome upon a somewhat chilly invitation produced nothing but polite recognition on both sides of wide differences of outlook and divergence of paths.



Mr. Winston Churchill leaving Le Bourget on a recent important visit to Paris.

Meanwhile on the great field of Europe, Germany has become the dominant aggressive power. Austria has fallen, Czechoslovakia has been subjugated; German authority and German trade stride forward together down the Danube valley. The steel helmets of the German army glint upon the Brenner Pass. Whereas formerly the Italian Ambassador in Vienna was almost a vice-roy Signor Mussolini must now be content with a Consul-General. In the unequal partnership of the two dictators Hitler has gained everything and Mussolini nothing. At the same time the keeping of a large wholly unproductive army in Abyssinia, without the slightest control of the country or chance of developing it, has imposed a grievous strain upon Italian finance and economy. The very large Italian forces maintained in Libya are an aggravation. But it is in Spain that Italian blood, money, and munitions have been most seriously engaged. The Germans have contented themselves with sending specialists, technicians and aviators together with masses of war material from their overflowing factories. Mussolini has actually done a large part of General Franco's fighting for him. Italian stocks of munitions of all kinds have been drawn upon heavily, and the burden upon the Italian people has become ever harder for them to bear. During the last year, for the first time, criticism has been rife in the ruling circles of Italian life and politics, and although the repeated submissions of the Western Democracies to dictatorial demands have veiled the movement of forces, there is no doubt that both Italy and her leader are to-day in a condition at once strained and fragile.

As a result of all these exertions and manoeuvres Mussolini finds himself entirely in the hands of Hitler. His need to have some prize that can be exhibited to the Italian nation, to have some share in the immense gains gathered by Germany has become imperative. But Hitler is the rich uncle who alone can help the loyal but improvident nephew through his difficulties.

Will the uncle pay the bill and can he fit its payment in with other heavy charges and projects? That is the question which exercises many minds to-day.

It seems that from the British visit to Rome Mussolini learned that Mr. Neville Chamberlain had reached the limits of appeasement. The British Parliament is averse from making further one-sided concessions. In the approach of a general election public opinion must be considered. Patience and readiness to respond to fair dealing are all that Great Britain can offer to the solution of Mussolini's problems.

Meanwhile he has deliberately picked a quarrel with the French Republic. One has to look far and wide through the annals of Europe for such an apparently wanton provocation. Demands for Nice, Corsica, and Tunisia, obviously fomented by official authority, a campaign of calumny and insult in the government controlled press, the denunciation of agreements hitherto deemed satisfactory,

taunts and threats, are all the reward which France has reaped from her recognition of Italian sovereignty over Abyssinia. Here again Signor Mussolini comes to a full stop: and it is of the utmost importance that he should not be misled or mislead his countrymen.

The French, like the British, are anxious to live in peace. They have exposed themselves both to injury and mockery to prove that this is so, but it would be imprudent and is indeed impossible to disguise the fact that the French nation is now determined to resist by force of arms any attack, even the smallest, upon their territory. There is a new spirit of resolve in France, it animates all classes and parties. No delusion could be more dangerous to Mussolini than that, for instance, an attack upon Djibouti would be treated as a remote local incident upon which a conference might subsequently sit. It would be a major act of war involving the two leading Mediterranean Powers. Such a war might be immediately widened into a general catastrophe.

Is this what Signor Mussolini wants? Are his embarrassments at home so serious that only a worldwide explosion affords a means of escape? Do the Italian people realise that they might easily be drawn into a struggle which would either end in their defeat or in their rescue by Germany at a price fatal to their independence?

We must all devoutly hope that the Italian dictator will count the cost before opening the floodgates of carnage upon the world and upon no part of the world more than the highly vulnerable country of which he has so long been the spirited and successful chief.

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## NEW BOOK ON

## SIR JAMES CANTLIE

SIR James Cantlie, A Romance in Medicine, by Neil Cantlie and George Seaver; with an appreciation by his Excellency Sun Fo, President of the Legislative Yuan of the Republic of China and a Foreword by Sir Arthur Keith, F.R.S., F.R.C.S. London, John Murray, 1938.

The life of Dr. Cantlie naturally falls into three main periods: early life in Scotland and the period of training and practice in London; work in Hong Kong and China from 1887 to 1896; and residence in London and continuation of his work through the Great War until his death on May 28, 1926. It was during the last period that Dr. Cantlie aided in the creation of the London School of Tropical Medicine and published *The Journal of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene*. The authors have indeed done justice to their task and the attractive personality of the Scottish Doctor shines through the interesting accounts of his pioneering services to British medicine.

Residents of Hongkong and old friends of Dr. Cantlie will be most interested in the fascinating account of the years in the Far East. As the authors show, Hongkong owes much of its public health service to the early efforts of Dr. Cantlie. The outbreak of the plague in Hongkong, in 1894, after the disease had not been seen there for nearly 200 years, called forth the best efforts of all the medical men in the colony. Cantlie, as a member of the Government Sanitary Board, helped draw up the sanitary rules of the city. Believing that the carrier of the plague must first be discovered before a complete sanitation system could be planned, Cantlie, at the suggestion of a clergyman, suddenly discovered that the Biblical account of the images of five golden mice and five golden emeralds in the Ark of the Covenant held the key to the problem. The connection between mice and emeralds, or buboes (swellings) of plague, was later confirmed by the discovery that rats suffer from plague and pass it on to mankind by means of the rat flea.

Even more interesting to us to-day is the account of Dr. Cantlie's friendship with Dr. Sun Yat Sen. The biography describes the early medical training of Sun Yat Sen, the long period of friendship with the Cantlies and his rescue by Dr. Cantlie from the Chinese legation in London. A number of interesting letters are published showing the long-continued respect and admiration felt by Dr. Sun for his mentor and benefactor and amplifying Dr. Cantlie's own accounts in his book *Sun Yat Sen and the Awakening of China* (James Cantlie, and C. Sheridan Jones). One letter, dated February 28th, 1926, to Lady Cantlie, states: "As to the political conditions in China, we are in a worse state than ever before. Our enlightened classes led by the students are giving the Peking Militarists an uneasy time. But their efforts are futile; for the foreign powers continue to lend all financial assistance to the self-seeking Militarists, who are nothing less than servants of Japanese Prussianism. Fruitless as our attempts seem, they serve at least to rouse our people and make them understand the danger that our country is now in. Democracy could easily regain its foothold in China if the foreign powers would only stand neutral."

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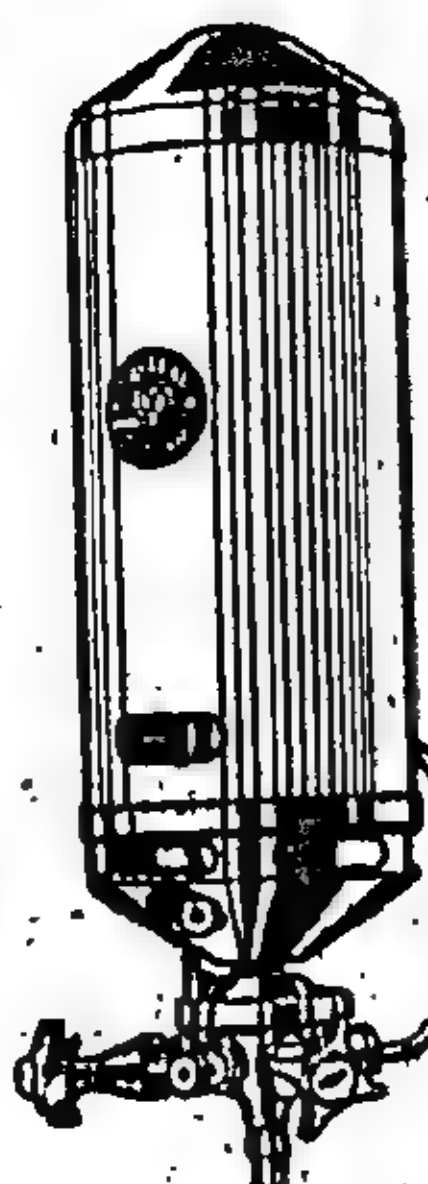
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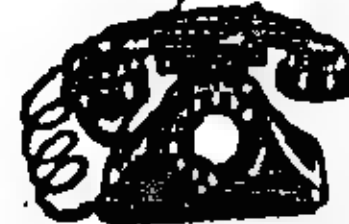
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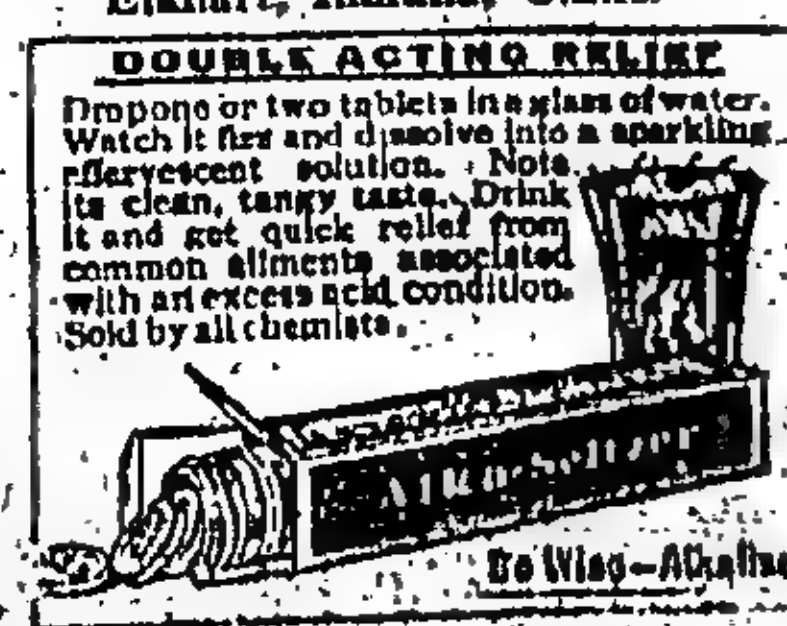
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## POPE PIUS XI

WITH His Holiness Pope Pius XI, born Ambrogio Damiano Achille Ratti in 1857, has passed one of the outstanding figures of post-war history, whose devout faith, deep spirituality and profound influence in the cause of peace can ill be spared at this time of international crisis.

The shock throughout the world, felt far beyond the Church of which he was the head, was the deeper felt because death came with so little warning. Early last week, it was announced that His Holiness was suffering from influenza, but subsequent reports gave no cause for anxiety, and it was not until there came sharp recurrence of an old ailment, cardiac asthma, that disquiet was felt. He died within a few hours of a heart attack.

Pope Pius was called at a moment when leading Church dignitaries were assembling to celebrate the 17th anniversary of his Coronation and the tenth anniversary of the conclusion of the Lateran Treaty, one of his many diplomatic achievements, which restored to the Vatican recognition as a sovereign state.

Liberal-minded, broad humanitarian, Pope Pius was a staunch defender of the liberties of mankind. He was no less critical in his attitude towards other totalitarian regimes than he was to Communism, and he did not hesitate to rebuke Mussolini for introducing to Italy the Aryan-race-fetish and anti-Semitism.

It was his odd fate that, a Prince of Peace, preaching at all times the brotherhood of man, he should reign during a period when the world turned to rearmament for so-called security, to see religion restricted and openly attacked by new ideologies, to see most of what men of faith, hope and charity hold most dear threatened and menaced as never since the Dark Ages.

Through it all, Pope Pius remained an Apostle of Peace, and he would not have sought a greater tribute.

## A JOLT NEEDED?

MODERN warfare, should this Colony ever get a firsthand taste of it, would obviously be of general impact. Even more so than the people, say, of the British Isles or any other European country involved, the whole civilian population would have to face the visitation, especially from the air. To organise civilian safeguards against the worst dangers of hostile air raids has become an essential part of defence, as vital to the Colony's powers of resistance as the mobilisation of all available manpower and the preparatory erection of beach defences.

The Colony has had A.R.P. preached and punched into it by a variety of methods for some months past, and the support enlisted has been far from discouraging. Commencement of a new series of lectures at various parts of the Colony, have met with good response from would-be air warden, and the placing of Volunteer H.Q. Lecture Room at the disposal of the Women's A.R.P. Union is another step in the right direction.

It can be said, we think, that, on the whole, the practical support forthcoming from individual citizens has been well up to expectations. It is, nevertheless, true that there are many people who are content to let others be the enthusiasts, who have not learned the lesson of the September Crisis, which shocked so many people in Britain into recognition of the responsibilities they had taken all too lightly.

At the risk of an accusation of monotonous repetition, two things need to be stressed. One, that it is only by taking precautions in advance of emergency that we shall be able to face any such event with resolution and unshaken morale. Two, that until Government promulgates the operation of its compulsory "National Register," it lends encouragement to those who thus far have been backward in coming forward.

Final scenes of the Republican debacle in Catalonia followed the predicted course. Thousands of refugees streamed through the Pyrenees passes into France, followed by multitudes of the defeated army, saying what they could from the wreck, with a rearguard, fighting magnificently round Figueras, covering the retreat. After the first days of confusion, France put the area of the French border under military control and accomplished an onerous task skillfully and without incident. Franco was tactful, taking the Italian divisions out of the line and when the moment of breakthrough to the frontier arrived, it was Navarrese troops who hoisted the Nationalist colours.

Pitiful stories of the plight and terrors of the refugees gave way in international interest, however, to the diplomatic consequences of the Catalan collapse, which were of a nature disturbing both to Rome and Berlin. Both apparently misjudged the situation, overlooking the dampening effect on Republican morale and hence almost certain willingness to conclude peace on the best possible terms. Britain achieved a neat piece of work in arranging, indirectly, the surrender of Minorca to General Franco, and the Italian gesture of annoyance, the bombing of Port Mahon while negotiations were in progress, was in itself a tribute to British initiative.

In Burgos, Senator Berard made valuable contact with members of the Franco Administration, encouraging further Anglo-French overtures towards a truce and mediation. Sir Robert Hodgson, the British Agent, left London armed with full powers to pledge the good offices of Britain in any and every direction that will prevent or reduce further bloodshed. Conferences on French soil with leaders of the Republican Government support belief that peace by negotiation is possible, despite reports that Dr. Negrin and President Azana are at loggerheads on the grave issue, whether to surrender or continue the battle for what now appears to be a lost cause.

Developments generally im-

## THIS WEEK

plled a severe setback for totalitarian intrigue in Spain, while conveying warning that the real diplomatic test in Europe is yet to come—and may be imminent. All the week, Signor Mussolini was in close converse with the Fascist Grand Council, completing a programme for instant mobilisation of the entire country on a war basis. Impression grew that unless Signor Mussolini presses his claims upon France in the very near future, he must find himself compelled to abandon the thought.

France also held important Defence Council meetings. General Gamelin, Chief of Staff, is to be given extended powers. A new Chief of Staff will be appointed with General Gamelin assuming the post of Supreme Commander of the military forces. M. Campinchi, the Navy Minister, claimed that in two years, France would have naval forces equal to Italy and Germany combined. Satisfaction was expressed with the new impetus gained in armaments manufacture. Herr Hitler, meantime, tightened up Air Force organisation and called two classes of reservists to the colours.

Mr. Chamberlain put in a discouraging word for Rome at question-time in the Commons. M. Bonnet's claim that France and Britain were committed to mutual aid in event of hostilities being challenged, the Prime Minister declared that France could look to Britain's fullest support if her vital interests were threatened anywhere and from any quarter. The most categorical statement of automatic assistance ever given by a British Prime Minister to France, it was received with warm approval in all but totalitarian quarters. Sir Samuel Hoare's endorsement at Plymouth was in terms which must be regarded as a further earnest of the fact that a halt has been called to retreat in the face of threats of aggression.

President Roosevelt found himself involved in deep contro-

versary on foreign policy—a curious consequence of an air crash in which a French Air Ministry official was injured. Presence in the United States of a French Air Mission had not been officially disclosed, and the opportunity of a whispering campaign against the President and secret understandings and secret commitments, was not missed by America's ironclad isolationists. The President's historic Message to Congress received with universal applause at the time of its delivery, with its plain indication of withdrawal from a policy of indifference to world events, began to be challenged. President Roosevelt faces a stiffened opposition on foreign policy which would have been avoided but for the unfortunate failure of a petrol engine.

Tokyo went further in challenge to third Party interests by a major landing on Hainan and occupation of Kiohchow. Stiffening of the blockade of the China coast was submitted in justification. The United States connected the event with Guam fortification reports, and the strategic importance of Hainan Island both to France and Britain was overlooked in no informed quarter. Last year, Tokyo was warned diplomatically that occupation of Hainan was inadvisable as creating dangers of unpleasant complications. China, relatively unconcerned, saw the move as the first stage in the long-expected invasion of Kwangsi.

The Palestine Conference got off to a fair start, without guarantees of progress on a smooth course. The initial clash between the Grand Mufti's delegates and representatives of the Palestine Defence Party was skillfully handled by Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, but the subsequent statement of the Arab case was frank and uncompromising and discovery of an agreed solution will, inevitably, test Mr. MacDonald's resourcefulness to its limit.

The cause of peace suffered an irreparable loss in the death of His Holiness Pope Pius XI.

SCRUTATOR.

## by H.E. Crawford: Battle Of Ideas: by Lord Stamp ROAD OR RAIL?

THE King's Highway is the natural and normal avenue for the transport of men and merchandise. It has been so for ages. Water provided a means of carrying heavier loads at a lower cost.

The advantages of railways lay in the fact that they could carry heavy and bulky goods which the roads and road vehicles of a hundred years ago could not manage, and their ability to maintain high average speeds over long distances. Modern invention and progress has almost entirely nullified these advantages.

Modern road transport has shown that it can compete successfully with all other forms in the carriage of almost every kind of merchandise, subject only to certain and occasional limitations with regard to bulk, weight, speed, and distance, operating either separately or in combination.

The enormous and increasing demand for road transport for both passengers and goods is the measure of its national utility.

In any national emergency, particularly in time of war, road transport would be the basis of movement of food and population. It is less vulnerable than the railway system, which might easily be put out of action by persistent bombing. It is practically impossible to destroy a road system.

In comparisons between the two systems of transport it is often pointed out that the railway companies had to build their own tracks while their rivals could make use of the public road, as though this were a reason for preferential treatment of the railways.

This argument omits two things. First, no railway could ever move one passenger or transport one ounce of produce unless there

The rival "square dealers," protagonists of the current claims of the railways and road transport, state their case through two of their leading figures, Major Crawford and Lord Stamp.

were a road system to provide access to its stations, its lines, or its sidings. Secondly, the fact that transport by rail involves the construction of an expensive permanent way is no valid reason, for penalising other forms of transport. It is a disadvantage inherent in the system of transport by rail.

The railways now demand that they should be given exactly that measure of freedom which they have always asserted made for anarchy when it was possessed by road transport.

Should they be given this power they could destroy the road industry piecemeal, and would have restored to them that monopoly they formerly enjoyed. It would be a suicidal policy for the nation to adopt.

The railways are still the principal means of internal communication. The Minister of Transport recently stated that "the railways are the transport core of the country"—no proof that I could offer could add to a statement from such an authoritative source.

It has been stated that road transport supplies the amenities and conveniences of everyday life. But all these amenities and conveniences were provided by the railways long before road transport, in its present day form, was ever thought of.

It is fast railway services that enable the city and town worker to live in pleasant surroundings; that enable the vast mass of workers to enjoy brief snatches of sea, coast and countryside; that enable millions of the population to

take their holidays at the resorts of their choice; in many cases at resorts which themselves owe their very existence to railways.

The statutory regulations under which the railways work provide that every piece of merchandise shall be classified and priced and that no departure shall be made from that price without appeal to a public tribunal. The law forbids the railways to give preference, and demands that rates should be published. The road transport operator is under no such obligations. He can charge what he likes, when he likes and where he likes.

The railways' case for a Square Deal is simply that they should be allowed the same freedom to compete for merchandise traffic as is enjoyed by all other forms of transport, including, of course, road transport.

The question of transport in a national emergency has been raised. Of that I would say that railways are no more vulnerable than roads.

Examine the very rare cases of accidents on British railways, and you will see that the re-establishing of through traffic has been but a matter of hours. In the middle of December a water main burst in a street near Euston. Single line traffic was re-established in the middle of January, just one month later.

In war-time, road transport requires imported fuel; railways operate on home-produced fuel. Each lorry requires a man to drive it; one train, taking many times the load of a lorry or passenger coach, can be operated by three men.

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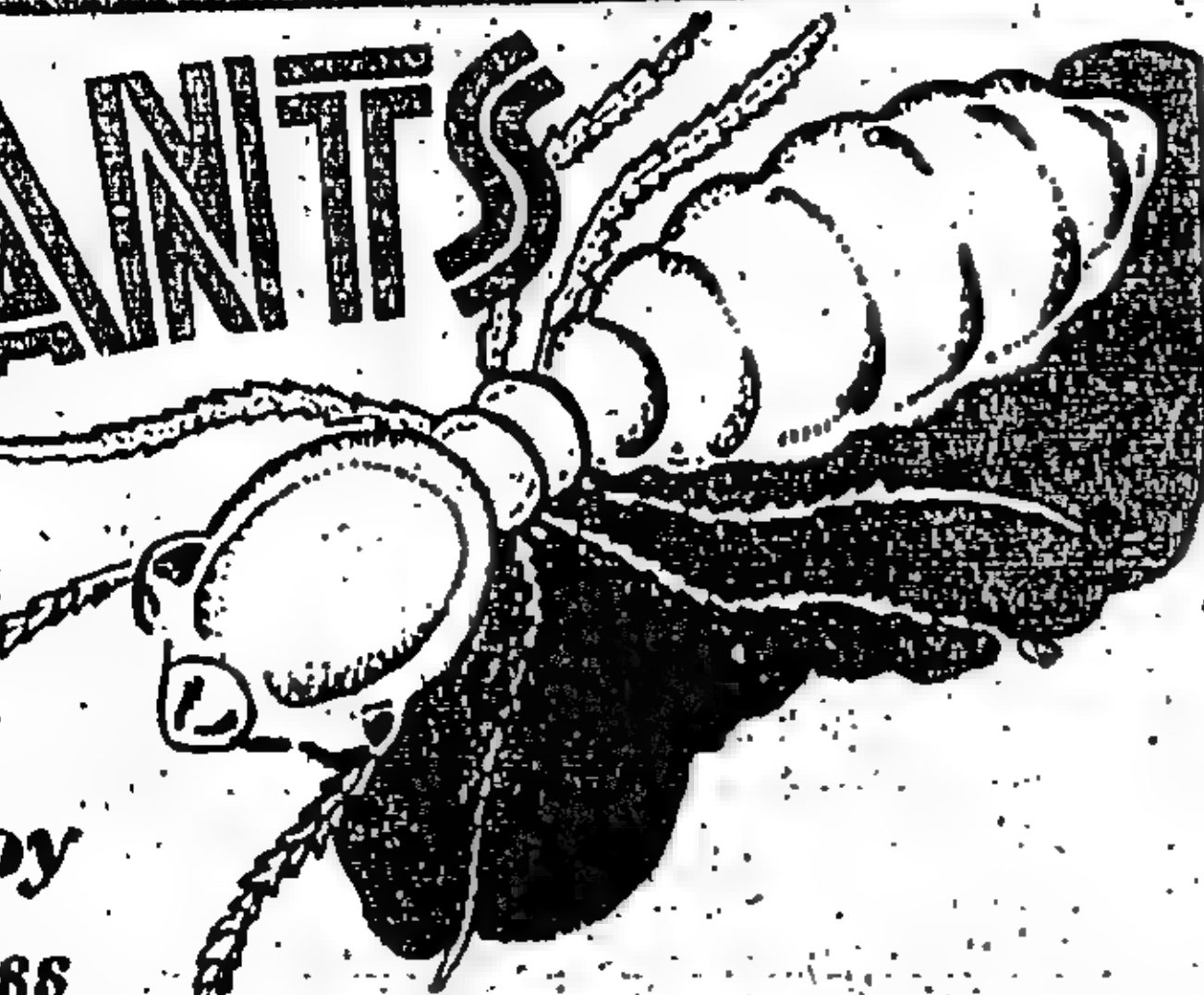


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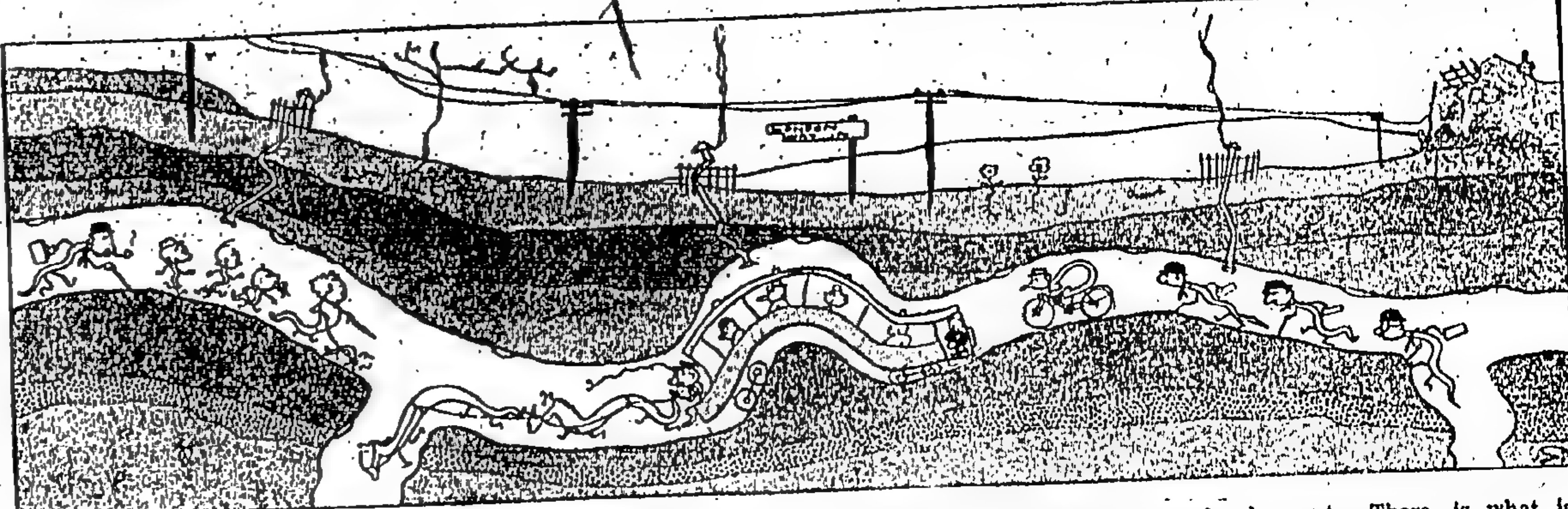
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stage where civilisation has reached a stage where the only thing to do, apparently, is to return to the way of life of those primitive, paleolithic cave-men, and start again.

In this respect it is encouraging to remember that the drawings

nothing but a stop-and-go sign. Great care will have to be taken with ventilation, otherwise the nation may tend to sink permanently into that dormant or torpid state which distinguishes other creatures when they bury

development. There, is what is known to geology as the thermosphere, and to theology by another name, may we reach the logical objective of our civilisation, and throw off our woolies.

Facilis descensus Averni... says Virgil, meaning that it is difficult to stop scientific progress once it starts.

And, indeed, bending my ear to the earth, I think I hear the voice of our proud, imperial city calling to me in faintly familiar phrases:—

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"Fifth floor, Hackney, Poplar, Hammersmith, Limehouse, and Ponders End. Going down!"

"Fourth floor... going down..."

"Going down..."

der. Keen controversy is proceeding on the relative merits of evacuation and underground protection as means of air defence. Sir John Anderson has ridiculed the idea of our citizens living what he calls a "Troglodyte" existence underground.

But Mr. Geoffrey Faber, in a long letter to "The Times," argues that evacuation would reduce our economic system to chaos, and that the "Troglodyte Scheme" is both practicable and necessary to our existence.

It is easy, he says, to conceive of road tunnels traversing London in all directions. It would solve the transport problem in peace as in war, and start a system of underground dormitories, garages, shops and restaurants, and places of entertainment.

We could, he says, transfer our social and economic activities underground to such an extent that we should cease to be a tempting target to an unscrupulous enemy.

This is, I think, unanswerable. Our civilisation has reached a

left by paleolithic cave-men on the walls of their caves disclose a comparatively high state of cultural development, and, further, that they were done before war had been invented.

It is, therefore, reasonable to assume that if we revert to the paleolithic way of life, we may discover how we went wrong last time, and avoid a repetition of the outstanding mistakes of the last half-million years, the chief of which appear to have been law by internal combustion engine, and the stress of mundane affairs.

In any case, we have no choice. Since we have decided that the only means of defence against foreign aggression is to allow foreigners to dictate our way of life, there is nothing for it but to run to earth.

Certain problems, must first be settled. The British Lion being no longer appropriate as a national symbol, we have to discuss the relative merits of the rabbit and the earthworm.

The earthworm is, perhaps, the more determined and aggressive. He has a tail, which can be lashed when angry, indicating that Britain will stand

in here but you and me. It's funny, I've still got a feeling we're being watched.

A FIFTH child has been born to the Comte and Comtesse de Paris. Explanation of terminology: The Comte is the son of the Duc de Guise, who claims the throne of France, and likes to be called King John the Third.

It appears that the Bourbons do not recognise the French Revolution. Such non-recognition, however, is not uncommon among the descendants of royal families. My own family is descended from the kings of Wessex, and we do not recognise the Norman Conquest. My father likes to be called King Ebenezer the Ninety-seventh.

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THE Mayor of Bradford, Mr. Robinson (14st. 8½lb.), and deputy Mr. White (15st.), have taken a 55 lb. that they will not put on weight during their year of office. Mr. White said, "I shall go on, as usual, finishing every meal feeling still slightly hungry."

And this man, who gets up from the table before his back teeth are under, thinks he's got to present a Yorkshire slice.

**ONE THING  
& ANOTHER**

I AM able to reveal that the Cabinet plans to extend its appeasement policy to all walks of life.

"Peace for our time will be assured in all our homes," the Prime Minister told me yesterday.

Mr. Ernest Brown, he told me, has instructed the Ministry of Labour that there is no account

to be war on unemployment, and in order to maintain the status quo all employment exchanges are to be dismantled.

"It has become increasingly apparent," the Premier said, "that we cannot stand in the way of self-determination for the workers."

The Minister of Health has signed a non-aggression pact with all bacilli and streptococci, and, as a token withdrawal, is to close down all aggressive health centres and clinics. "But," he is reported to have said, "we must be prepared. We must have more doctors to strengthen our defence."

"It is obvious," said the President of the Board of Education, "that bloods and crime stories are responsible for the growth in juvenile delinquency."

"If the youngsters were unable to read they would be spared all this, so I propose to close down all the schools."

Similar appeasement work is being carried out by all the Departments of State. For example, drunkenness, which has wrecked so many homes, is to be cut down by abolishing all State pensions and Public Assistance.

"It may mean some hardship to champagne importers," I was told, "but we must have peace in the home at any price."

GILES, I've got a feeling we are being watched. I shouldn't wonder. Mr. What-sit, I've thought for a long time Scotland Yard would be after you one of these days.

Giles, you're getting more important every day. And there's no doubt we are being watched. I can hear somebody breathing.

No, I'm not. I mean it's a different kind of breathing, and I ought to know my own breathing if anyone did. Do you think it could be Noses?

No, I haven't seen him since last week. Well, have a look for him. See if he's hiding in the cupboard.

Oh, all right. But when do you think I am going to get those drawings done?

You'd have them done already if you didn't waste time talking. Can you find him?

No, Mr. What-sit, there's nobody

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# MONROE AT LIMA

THE Pan-American Conference at Lima ended with results which are much to be foreseen. The definite results. It is possible that it may not have fulfilled the very great expectations fostered in several quarters. But with the present methods of political propaganda, the general public is frequently led to await far more than do the organizers themselves. Afterwards, it is all the easier to depreciate the results and to turn them to ridicule. This is certainly the method that has been adopted in certain quarters with regard to the Lima Conference, and the propagandists of the Powers concerned are now exploiting an atmosphere which they have deliberately created in order to represent the Conference as a disappointment. In reality, however, it has done what could be achieved for the moment; all American States have explicitly declared that they will not tolerate aggression on the part of non-American Powers, and that in the event of a real danger, they foreign ministers will immediately be called into joint consultation. It is impossible to demand more for the moment. On the contrary, these decisions must be regarded as of very definite practical importance, for it is clear from the policy pursued during the last months by the great majority of South American States how little they are disposed to tolerate the effective consequences of the agitation fomented among their own citizens and supported at enormous expense from European quarters.

By Georg  
Bernhard

In 1823, the North American President Monroe sent a message to the House of Representatives proclaiming the principle that the United States would tolerate no intervention of European Government in Central and South America. This Monroe Doctrine, which has since been incorporated in all handbooks of international law, has often been criticized as the expression of an imperialist tendency, just as if North America had at any time intended to conquer the southern territories. This criticism, which now forms the main basis of the national socialist propaganda, especially in Argentina and Brazil, has led many to forget the reasons for President Monroe's very energetic attitude. After the downfall of Napoleon, the Holy Alliance did not confine itself to intervention on the American continent, but also against American interference in European affairs. At the moment of this proclamation, the Atlantic was the great gulf fixed between the old and the new world. But this gulf has been bridged by technical progress. Up to a short time ago, there were a considerable number of people in England—the supporters of splendid isolation—who regarded the Channel as an effective protection for their islands; but the majority of the Americans have definitely realized that there is no longer any such thing as isolation, and that at the present day, all countries of the world, wherever situated, are completely interdependent, not only from the commercial, but also from the political viewpoint. As far as the conclusion to be drawn from the realization of the technical revolution is concerned—the technique of news transmission being every bit as perfect in America as in Europe—there was no question of capitalistic imperialism in America at that moment. And no one acquainted with the economic development of the United States in that period could be so foolish as to believe that President Monroe ever dreamed of the possibility of the economic penetration of Central and South America by American industrial trusts.

What England is just beginning to realize, what France has invariably overlooked is a situation that has been recognised by the President of the United States with an acuity that is surprising in the present circumstances. And he draws therefrom a radical conclusion—not yet accepted by some of the Governments meeting at Lima, but increasingly recognised by the North American people. This conclusion implies an essential modification of the Monroe Doctrine. For, in his message of 1823, President Monroe expressed himself not only against European intervention on the American continent, but also against American interference in European affairs. At the moment of this proclamation, the Atlantic was the great gulf fixed between the old and the new world. But this gulf has been bridged by technical progress. Up to a short time ago, there were a considerable number of people in England—the supporters of splendid isolation—who regarded the Channel as an effective protection for their islands; but the majority of the Americans have definitely realized that there is no longer any such thing as isolation, and that at the present day, all countries of the world, wherever situated, are completely interdependent, not only from the commercial, but also from the political viewpoint. As far as the conclusion to be drawn from the realization of the technical revolution is concerned—the technique of news transmission being every bit as perfect in America as in Europe—there was no question of capitalistic imperialism in America at that moment. And no one acquainted with the economic development of the United States in that period could be so foolish as to believe that President Monroe ever dreamed of the possibility of the economic penetration of Central and South America by American industrial trusts.

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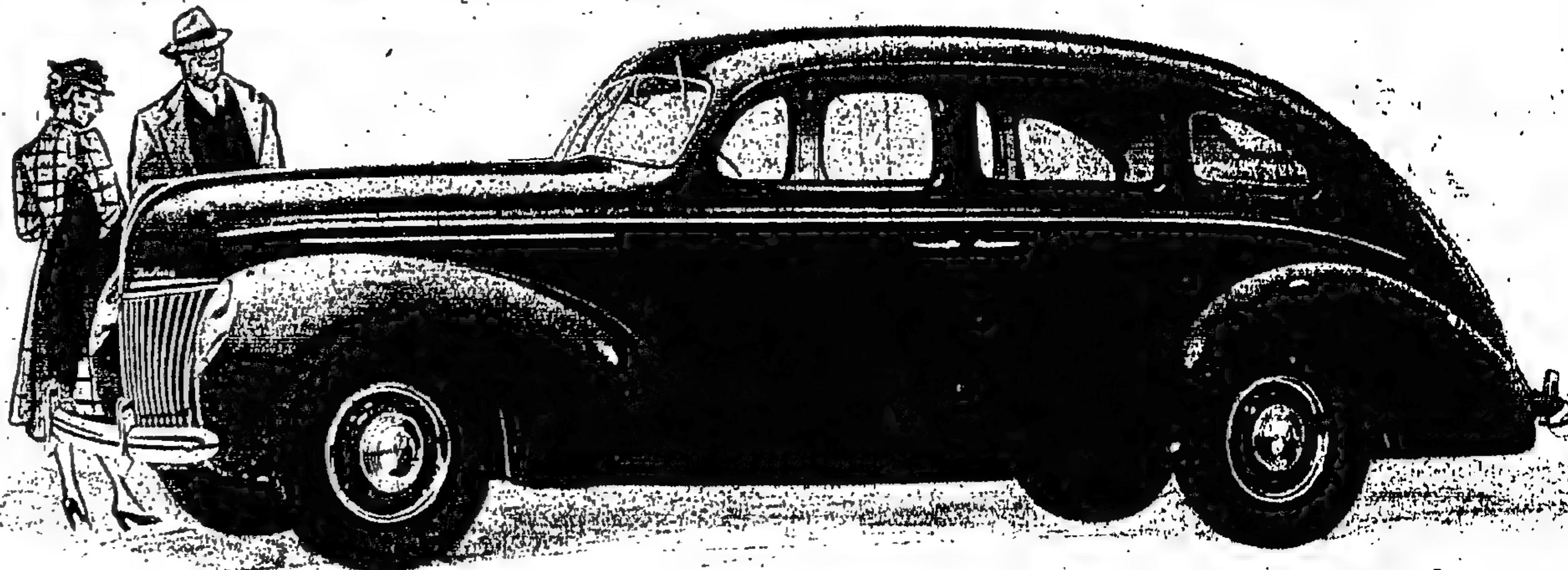
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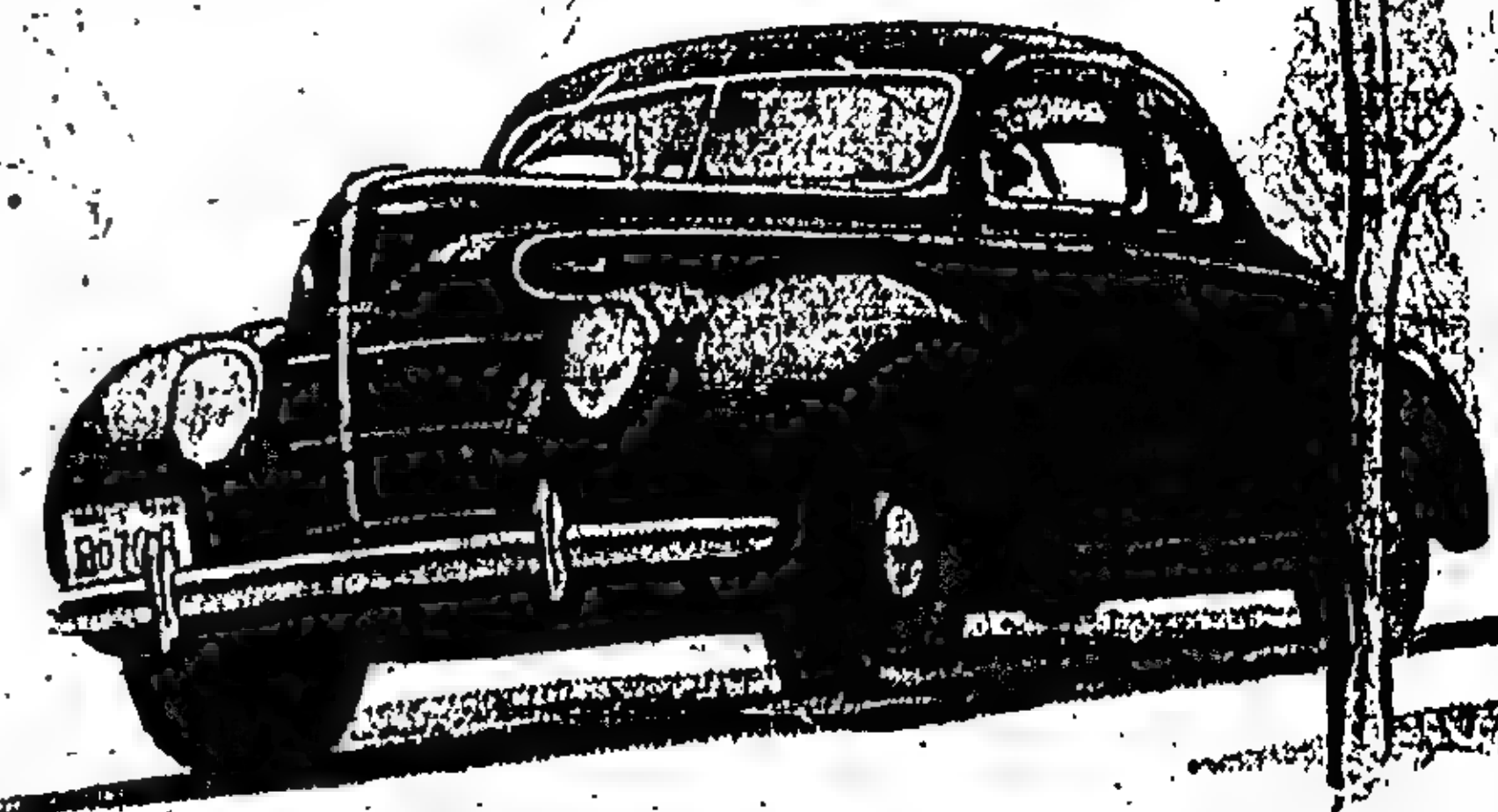
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IN a smooth flight of two hours, an Italian seaplane carried me from Libya to Malta. It landed me in the bay where St. Paul had his adventure with the viper.

An hour later, in Valletta, I posted my letters in the mansion where Napoleon lodged on his way to Egypt.

Indeed, from dawn to dusk, one was engaged in deciphering history engraved in stone. On this bare rock every movement that has shaped European civilisation has left its imprint.

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Round the rude circles of Stonehenge you must guess at the life of the Neolithic age; but here his gods survive beside

their altars and in two terracotta figures, all but intact though millenniums have passed over them, you may learn how their priestesses dressed and in what postures they awaited the revelations of the Unseen.

In these annals no page is blank. This rock has its inscription in the Carthaginian tongue, and the next in Greek, while below the soil there are Christian catacombs.

Malta has few buildings that are not in some degree distinguished. The baroque palaces of Valletta, built by the Knights of the Order of St. John of Jerusalem, are a perpetual delight.

Luckily for posterity, their vow of poverty sat lightly on those soldier-monks.

Finally, when you tire of inscriptions and the pomp of stone, you may sit in the sun and survey the incredible provision that Nature made in the Grand Harbour for the fleets that have dominated, each in its century, her middle sea. To-day they are grey and British. Tomorrow—

**IT FELL WITH NAPOLEON**  
One thing only you may venture to predict about the future of Malta. It will continue to record the flux of history and to register the procession of empires.

The Power that holds it must dominate the Mediterranean Sea. Napoleon took it with ease from the decayed Order of St. John, but lost it as the instantaneous consequence of the British victory at the Nile.

As a fortress it has always suffered from one disadvantage: it cannot feed itself. The soil lies thin on its rocks, and though man has laboured with infinite care to conserve its fertility with terraces and aqueducts, it grows little wheat, and its population is packed, 2,500 stomachs to the square mile.

It can be fed only so long as its rulers command the seas that surround it.

Two unknown factors question its destiny to-day. Another and even smaller island lies in the narrow sea between Sicily and the African coast, as you sail westward from Malta towards Tunis and Bizerta.

Through the centuries Pantelaria was nothing but a harbour

for fishermen. To-day Mussolini has converted it into a base for submarines and seaplanes.

Even without this aggravation, aerial warfare presents a sufficiently anxious problem. In 20 minutes an Italian bomber can fly to Malta from the aerodromes of Sicily.

During the Abyssinian crisis the official view was that the island would be untenable, if hostilities broke out, and would have to be evacuated. That policy has been reversed, and the intention is now to defend it at any cost.

On the day I landed the local Press published an appeal for volunteers to work a scheme, based on the familiar English lines, for defence against air raids.

Official opinion was at great pains to be cheerful. The houses are stoutly built of stone, and there are many cellars and tunnels. But it is no less true that the streets are narrow and the population densely packed.

I noticed with alarm, in an exposed and conspicuous situation, a long row of storage tanks for petrol. Some, but not all, had been camouflaged. The ancients knew that the soft sandstone of this island lends itself readily to excavation. The moderns might follow that venerable example with advantage.

**DUCE CALLS FOR RACIAL PURITY**  
Malta will sooner or later be involved if ever the Italian army of Libya should march along that famous coast road towards Tunis.

Apart from strategy, however the island has always had an interest for Italian imperialism. Out of deference, doubtless to Mr. Chamberlain, the deputies of the Fascist Chamber did not mention it when they clamoured for "Tunis, Corsica and Nice." But a few days after the visit to Rome a decree was issued in the interest of the new policy of racial purity, which regulated the marriages of Italians with foreigners.

In defining that term it laid it down that natives of Nice, Corsica and Malta shall be reckoned as Italians. The old claim, then, has not been dropped.

The belief dies hard that the Maltese are Italians. The many conquerors of this island—the Arabs, the Normans, and even the far from austere monastic knights—must have left some traces of their blood behind (1939)

Education is not yet compulsory, and about 40 per cent. of the population is illiterate. If the Fascist-clericalist tendency is to be combated with success, it must be through education and the expansion of the social services.

A first step towards the restoration of the Constitution will be taken in a few weeks. It will be so far modified that an elected minority will sit on the Governor's Council. In Malta, as in Tunis, the class struggle plays its part in the problem of defence.

The grey hulks still ride the Grand Harbour, and murderers are convicted in Maltese. The stones of this island register the battle for power as seismographs register earthquakes.

If I knew what language a Judge will use ten years hence in Valletta, I could predict the future of Europe. It may not be Italian.

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# CONFIDENT CHUNGKING

## Points From An Interview With Madame Chiang Kai-Shek

### Until Japan Comes To Terms

(By GERALD L. G. SAMSON)

Chungking, Yesterday.  
After the fall of Canton and Wuhan is China really in a position to carry on long-term resistance against Japanese aggression, and is the National Government fully resolved to execute such a policy? These two questions have aroused much speculation the world over.

Having just concluded an eleven day visit to Chungking, China's war-time capital (the climax of a 1,400 mile journey through Free China), during which I had long and frank discussions with nearly all the National Government leaders as well as numerous unofficial personages and impartial observers well qualified to size up the political situation, I do not hesitate

to state that under prevailing conditions both points may be confidently answered in the affirmative.

The general tenor of the replies I received to a series of leading questions I had prepared on route being in large measure responsible for the opinion expressed above. And since they are all of special interest at this time, I shall devote this article almost entirely to them.

**QUESTION:** Has China's united front been broken by Dr. Wang Ching-wei's recent peace pronouncements in Hong Kong?

**ANSWER:** Emphatically not. On the contrary they have stiffened China's determination to continue long-term resistance indefinitely.

"Dr. Wang Ching-wei's peace policy has alienated him from the confidence and respect of the Chinese people at home and abroad," stated Foreign Minister Wang Chung-hui—and I found no one who disagreed with him.

The most decisive reply, however, came from the lips of China's first lady, Madame Chiang Kai-shek (who graciously answered many of the questions I had originally intended to put to the Generalissimo personally, had he not been forced to cancel all outside engagements because of the Kuomintang National Congress being in session): "With the blood of our fellow-countrymen not yet dry on Japanese hands, how can we think of peace?"

**QUESTION:** Does China's national economy, taking into specific consideration her limited and restricted lines of communication with the outside world, permit of long-term resistance?

**ANSWER:** Yes. With a vast territory, wealthy natural resources and immense manpower, it is comparatively simple to carry on long-term resistance.

China has plenty of food and it is cheap. During the last two years the crops have been exceedingly good—not only enough to meet the country's requirements, but sufficient to store away for a rainy day.

New economic centres, manufacturing and mining, have sprung up and are being actively developed in the provinces of Shensi, Szechuan, Kwelchow and Yunnan. And in this connection the fast strides made by China's industrial co-operatives which are scarcely a year old, deserve special mention.

The vital problem of transportation is likewise being tackled with a will. In addition to the construction of the Haiphong-Nanning-Kweilin railway which I reported in my last article, work has already begun on lines which will eventually connect Chungking with Chengtu (provincial capital of Szechuan), Kunming (provincial capital of Yunnan) with Suifu (in south Szechuan), and Kunming with Lashio, the terminus of the Rangoon-Lashio railway. And when another projected line connecting Suifu with Nanking, a point approximately half-way between Chungking and Chengtu has been completed, Szechuan will be in direct railway communication with Rangoon. Although this is by no means an immediate prospect since many of these lines will take years to build, it is nevertheless, a revolutionary step forward in China's march of progress.

The building of new highways is also proceeding apace. Some fourteen to fifteen hundred miles being at present under construction in the hinterland northwards and westwards behind the front.

Militarily, China has on hand sufficient supplies to tide her over for some time to come. Furthermore, the highly mobile guerrilla tactics now being adopted cut down the Army's requirements to small arms and ammunition. These are being manufactured in arsenals which have been erected in the interior. Aeroplane factories are also in existence.

**QUESTION:** Why do the Chinese forces not launch an immediate offensive against a tired Japanese Army which is apparently digging in whilst waiting for reinforcements and fresh supplies?

**ANSWER:** The most illuminating was given by General Chou En-lai who explained that the war may be divided into three phases. The first, that of "advance and retreat." The second, that of "see-saw warfare" (trying to hold positions and counter-attacks) and guerrilla tactics behind the enemy's lines. And the present or third stage, that of guerrilla warfare on a national scale, together with the reorganization and strengthening of the forces in the rear. The latter being the main reason why no spectacular war now is available on the Chinese side.

Frontal attacks are not only costly but seldom effective against an enemy with preponderantly strong armaments. Whilst

the new guerrilla tactics which are infinitely better suited to the national economy, are calculated seriously to harass the Japanese Army's long lines of communication, making it obligatory for it to station large and expensive garrisons in the occupied areas.

**QUESTION:** What is the Chinese Government's reaction to the recent notes presented to Japan by the governments of the United States, Great Britain and France; and does China expect to receive any concrete assistance as a result, other than the credits already announced?

**ANSWER:** China is most grateful and considers them a hopeful and welcome sign. But it is a great pity the Powers did not inform Tokyo equally sternly and specifically as to their attitude regarding the invasion of China by Japan eighteen months ago when hostilities began.

"Unless they are followed by concrete action they are meaningless," frankly commented Dr. Sun Fo, Chairman of the Legislative Yuan.

The Foreign Minister described the British note as "an historic document clarifying beyond doubt that country's position in the Far East." Then continuing, he stated: "But the most important thing now is for America, Britain and France to take concrete steps in collaboration with other Powers interested in the Far East, and formally propose to Japan the procedure for settling the present dispute, even to defining the very terms of an equitable and practical solution of the Far Eastern question."

The American and British credits are also much appreciated. Nevertheless, it is pointed out (with reason) that in size they are small indeed and therefore, their value is chiefly psychological, a highly significant aspect of the matter. One and all plead for larger credits though they will not go so far as to state they expect them. To grant them, however, one is reminded, is, after all, only good business since they afford a cheap form of insuring our own interests. (Personally I agree with this view entirely). But what China really hopes for is some measure of economic pressure—preferably sanctions—against Japan in the not too distant future.

**QUESTION:** What are China's minimum peace terms?

**ANSWER:** "The same to-day as they have been all through—territorial integrity, administrative sovereignty and equality of treatment," succinctly declared Madame Chiang Kai-shek.

"Japan must restore the July 7th, 1937 status quo ante," replied Prime Minister Kung.

"China will not make peace until she has recovered all her lost territory including Manchuria," announced General Chou En-lai.

"They have not been studied in any detail. But they would be based on the Nine Power Treaty, and specifically on the maintenance of China's independence and integrity," vouchsafed the Foreign Minister.

From these statements it will be seen that there is fundamental agreement amongst the Government leaders regarding China's minimum peace terms. Nor did I hear from any other quarter even a suggestion of compromise.

**QUESTION:** Would China welcome third Power mediation at this stage?

**ANSWER:** "China is definitely not seeking it. However, we are ready at any time to make an honourable peace, though never one based on cringing fear. If any Power can facilitate the first, we are naturally prepared to accept their good offices," Madame Chiang Kai-shek disclosed.

"We are always open to friendly mediation providing it is based on justice. We are likewise prepared to meet the Japanese any time on terms of equality and we would also willingly enter a conference of the signatories of the Nine Power Treaty to discuss what is really the best way of settling not only the difficulties between China and Japan but the whole Far Eastern situation," observed Prime Minister Kung.

Here again I found no fundamental difference of opinion.

**QUESTION:** How much longer is the Sino-Japanese conflict likely to last?

**ANSWER:** Until Japan comes to terms. In the opinion of General Chou En-lai this will take at least another eighteen months.

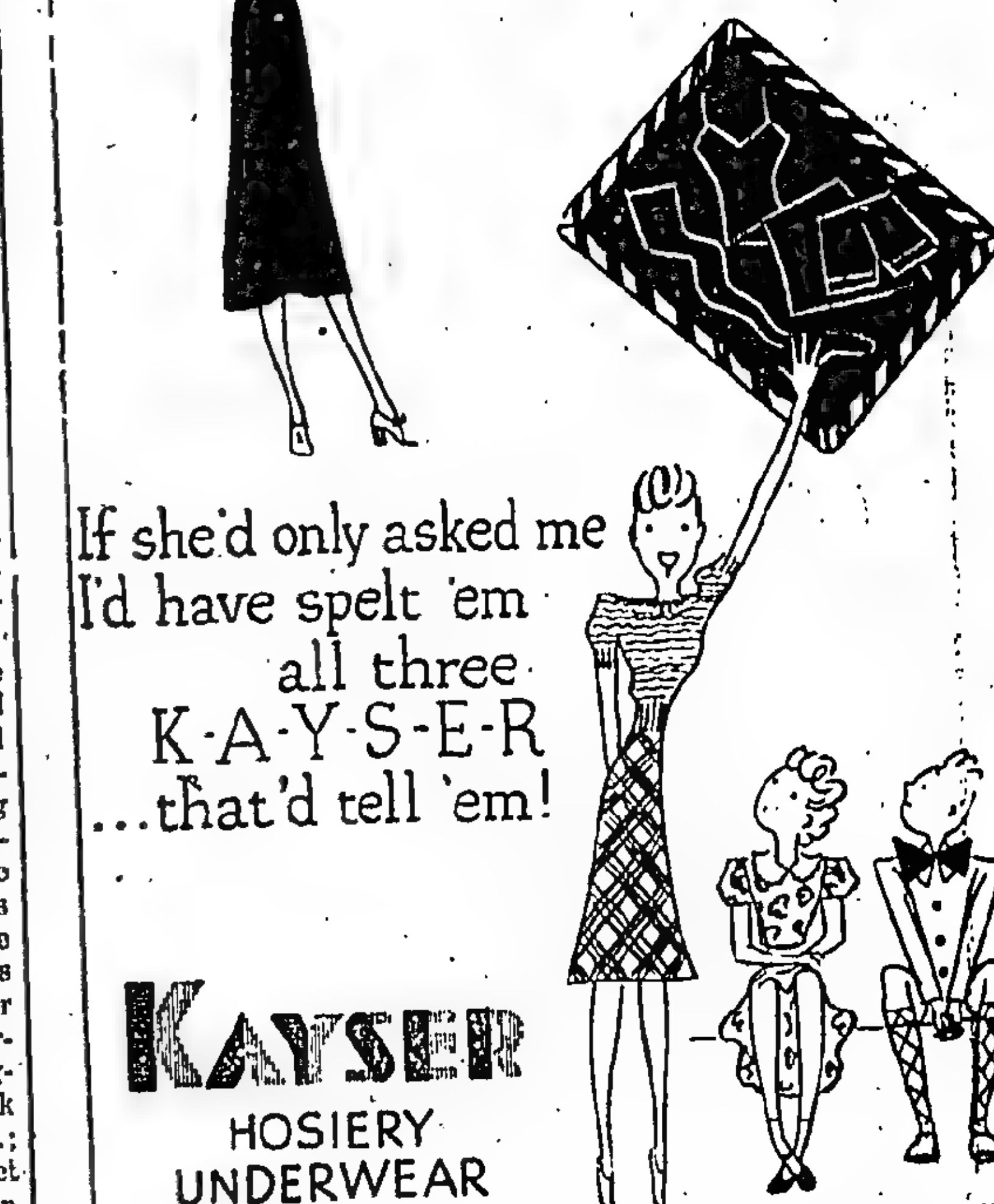
Economically, China can stand the strain longer than Japan since she is by no means so high-

ly organized. She can continue indefinitely to live much the same as she did before hostilities began, and her resources in manpower and materials are immense. Moreover, China can concentrate on fighting one enemy; not so Japan, who has several in the offing.

To describe over-crowded Chungking (it is exceedingly hard to find accommodation) as confident, and to state there are many good reasons for it, are, therefore, but statements of fact. The morale of the people is good despite the number of ruthless Japanese air-raids; the last less Japanese air-raids; the last one, on January 15th, which I missed by barely two hours, killing 132 and wounding 193 in addition to doing much property damage (the American school being amongst the buildings hit).

At all hours of the day one hears loud explosions as solid walls of rock are being blasted away for the construction of bomb-proof shelters (these are being feverishly tunneled in the hillsides in readiness for the intense bombings that are expected as soon as the weather clears) or else to make way for new residences and government offices. Another sign that the city has become air-raid conscious being the changing of the banking hours a week ago (January 23rd.) to 3-7 p.m.; thus following the example set by other big cities that have been consistently bombed by Nipponese planes.

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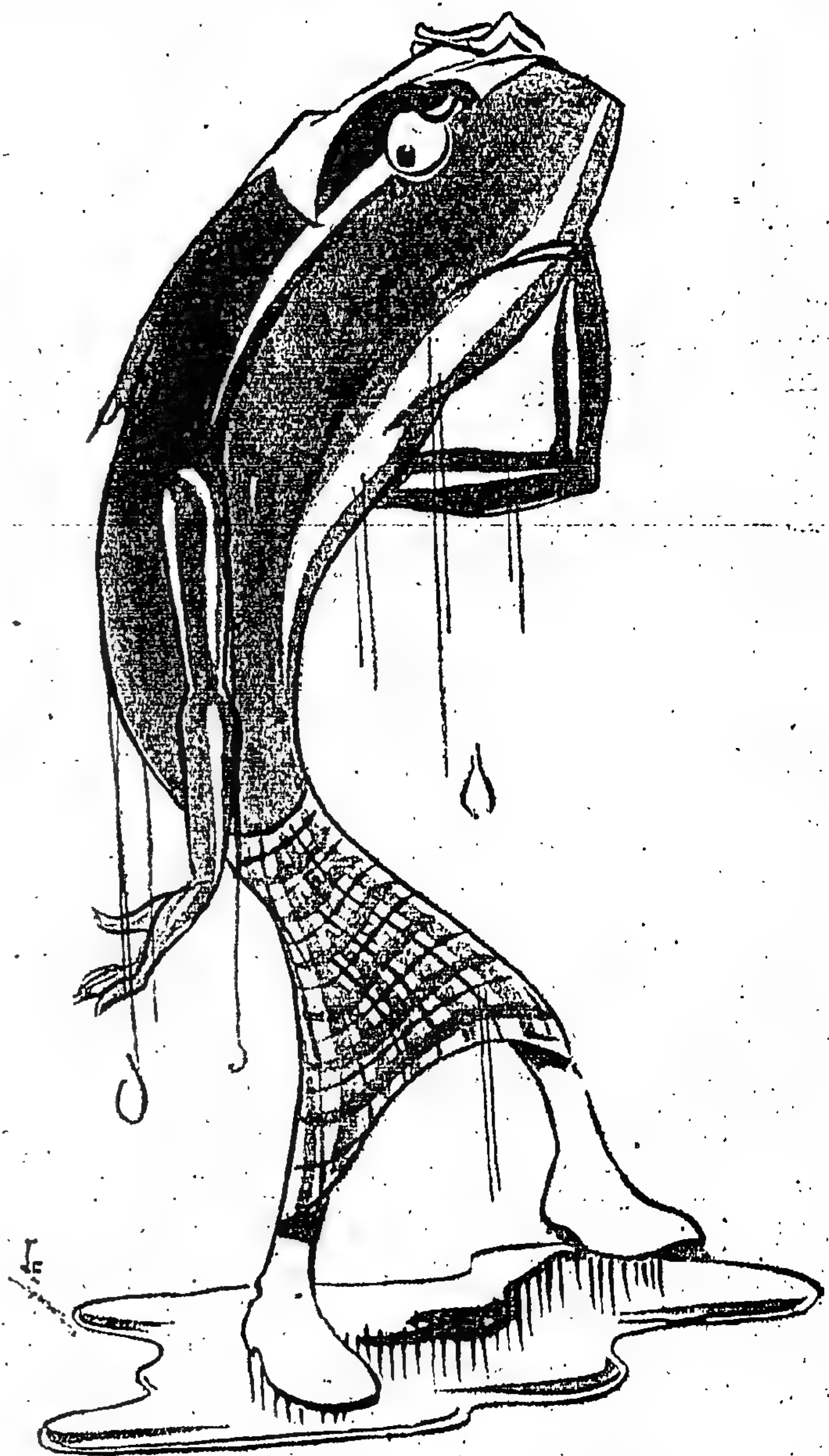
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# Restoration Of Monarchy In Spain

ALTHOUGH not much has been said, the idea that the Spanish civil war may in the long run lead to the restoration of a more or less liberal monarchy is spreading in Europe and mainly in official circles. The most rigid upholders of anti-monarchical principles are bound to admit willy-nilly, that, compared with General Franco's barbarous system of fire and sword and his armies of Moors, legionaries, Italians, Germans, requetes and national-syndicalists, a traditional monarchy supported by the conservative classes of the country and with an appearance—a mere semblance of liberalism, would be a devoutly wished consummation of this terrible civil war.

But although, seen from abroad, a monarchy may appear a feasible solution for the Spaniards of either camp, the idea of a restoration is the most extravagant and the most contrary to the national feeling that can be conceived.

There is something else. Paradoxical as it may seem, it can be stated that the idea of a monarchy would at present encounter less repugnance in Republican than in Nationalist Spain. For the Republicans, the monarchy is the lesser evil to which they would resign themselves rather than accept the possibility of the triumph of a totalitarian tyranny. But for the nationalists, a traditional monarchy would mean the absolute and definitive failure of their doctrines. Their starting-point being, as proclaimed by Jose Antonio Primo de Rivera, the decline and death of the monarchic institution, it appears to them that a reversion to this standpoint would amount to a public confession of the mistakenness and monstrosity of the nationalist movement. Have the generals only

permitted the fall of Alfonso XIII to strike their mea culpa with hands covered with blood? Could Franco only have banished the Infante Don Juan during the very first months of the rebellion to recognize him as his sovereign after insulting him? And why should the world have been forced to attend at the shameful spectacle of "Franco, Franco, Franco," who, during two and a half years has destroyed the reputation of the Spanish people by reducing it to the role of a mutinous army? In order that he who is called the "Caudillo" should now for his own salvation be compelled to entrust the power to the inexperienced hands of a young prince whose sole merit lies in the possibility to become, in the eyes of Europe, the instrument of the liquidation of the monstrous invention of Francism which has transformed Spain into

of the better classes, it is probable that the civil war would never have reached its present stage of barbarism and that a restoration would now be possible.

But for two and a half years the phalangists, recruited from a discontented and proletarianized middle class, have been fighting for power. The reactionary, traditionalist and aristocratic uprising of the first period of the war has become a revolt of the masses of a type far more brutal than a veritable movement of the working classes. There have never been more than two really valuable factors in Spain: itself, that is the rural and city workers, and a few more or less aristocratic minorities who retained certain qualities inherited from their ancestors. In order to sustain his mad adventure, Franco was forced to arm and introduce into the combat a third factor: the Spanish middle class. Impressed by the example of Italian fascism and German national socialism, this middle class, excited and driven by its leaders set itself a first aim, namely, to destroy the old aristocracy in order to supplant it in office. The dukes were replaced by their lackeys, and these have become the oppressors of both dukes and the workers themselves.

It is generally believed that these trends of opinion have no decisive influence on the course of events, from the moment that the decision is left to a leader. Those who still believe in the Franco legend deceive themselves into thinking that Franco can at any moment decide the future of Spain and that a word from him will suffice to set the Spanish crown on the head of Juan III or Gaetan I. Nothing is farther from reality. Franco is incapable of taking any decision whatever; and it is due to this tragic indecision, to his characteristic inertia, that the Spanish war which might have been ended months ago is being prolonged. When Franco arrived at the gates of Madrid, when he conquered the Northern provinces, duction, even in part, strictly when Dr. Negrin proclaimed his

The social revolution attempted by the communists and anarchists failed definitely two years ago; behind the Republican Government, the people is fighting solely for its freedom and its national independence; the revolutionary dreams have long faded away, for the reason that the only support they meet with from outside is that of the U.S.S.R. and the communists, and also, owing to the fact that the Spanish people would not have consented to sacrifice itself for the Revolution as it has done for its independence. On the other, the pseudo-revolution of the national syndicalists, which the Burgos Minister of the Interior continues to preach, appears to be triumphing because it has received powerful foreign support and military circles continue to impose it by the force of arms. For both sides, the restoration of the monarchy is to return to their starting-point, to renounce the unmeasured ideals of revolution and empire which have led them to the destruction of their country. And it is obvious that this abandonment of a dream, this awakening to a painful reality is more easily conceivable among the famished and deserted masses of the Republic than in the intoxicated army of nationalism sustained by its continuous doping from outside. Any compromise—and the restoration would be a compromise—can be realized in the camp of the Republic. There is nothing to be hoped for from Burgos, so long as it is artificially sustained by foreign aid.

In considering the possibility of a restoration, it is necessary to take account of a factor which is not sufficiently known outside Spain, but is, in the opinion of many Spaniards, extremely important. This is the proletarianization of the upper classes in the zone occupied by the nationalists, which is a result of the insane application of the doctrines of Italian fascism and of German national socialism to Spain. This is probably one of the most curious and extraordinary features of the whole civil war. What is certain is that, in Franco's Spain, the moral virtues inherent in the Spanish race have decreased to an alarming extent.

Spain, in fact, was the shrine in which certain virtues of the medieval times were miraculously preserved; they may have been regarded as obsolete, but they served to compensate certain defects of the Spanish character no less obsolete. The "gentilismo" was a degenerate form of the aristocratic regime, but maintained in Spain a certain standard. If Franco's rebellion had been merely a revolt

thirteen points, and when the Barcelona Government declared that it was ready to lay down the arms if the foreign intervention were eliminated—at each of these moments it would have been possible to terminate the war if Franco had been capable of anything else than war—a war which would go on for ever if it were not in the interest of all European States, in particular, of Mussolini, to end it as soon as possible.

No, Franco is incapable of laying the ghosts he has raised. He does not even know what he wants. People who have seen him during the past few weeks assure me that when confronted with the constant suggestions of his collaborators with a view to the solution of the Spanish problem, he persists in a systematic and obstinate attitude of negation, and refuses to do anything that might mark a definite resolution or direction. Franco, terribly inferior to the role he has attempted to assume, is a man borne down under the amplitude of the catastrophe he has provoked, and caught in the fatal coils of the war, he errs like a blind man, without knowing whither he is going. He has a veritable and justified horror of taking any political decision. Conscious, it would seem, of the irreparable wrong he has done to Spain by making her a vassal of the totalitarian powers, he is at present absolutely incapable of taking any further decision and he expects his own troops to show him the way. How Mussolini and Hitler must despise him.

After the fall of Tarragona, Franco launched a proclamation to the Catalan people. It was then or never the moment to take a decisive step to end the war. But the arrogant "caudillo" did not choose to risk any statement of a political character. All that he did was to avoid, for the first time, the slogans of national syndicalism and the Spanish Empire. But he still described himself as a crusader, in the hope that the Pope would not be too prompt in refusing him this honour—and offering the Catalonians a Paradise based on the reforestation of their forests and on the construction of cheap housings.

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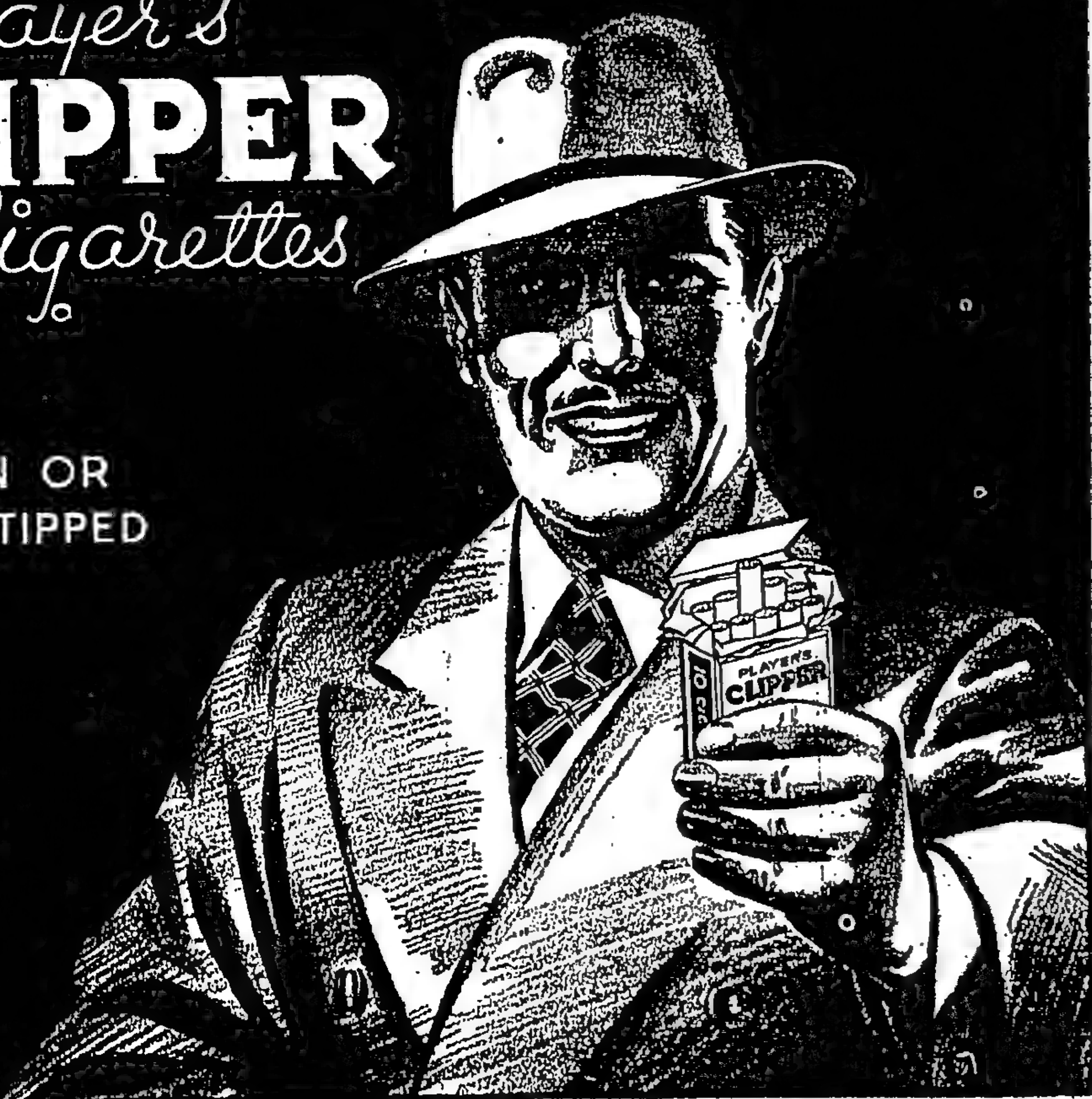
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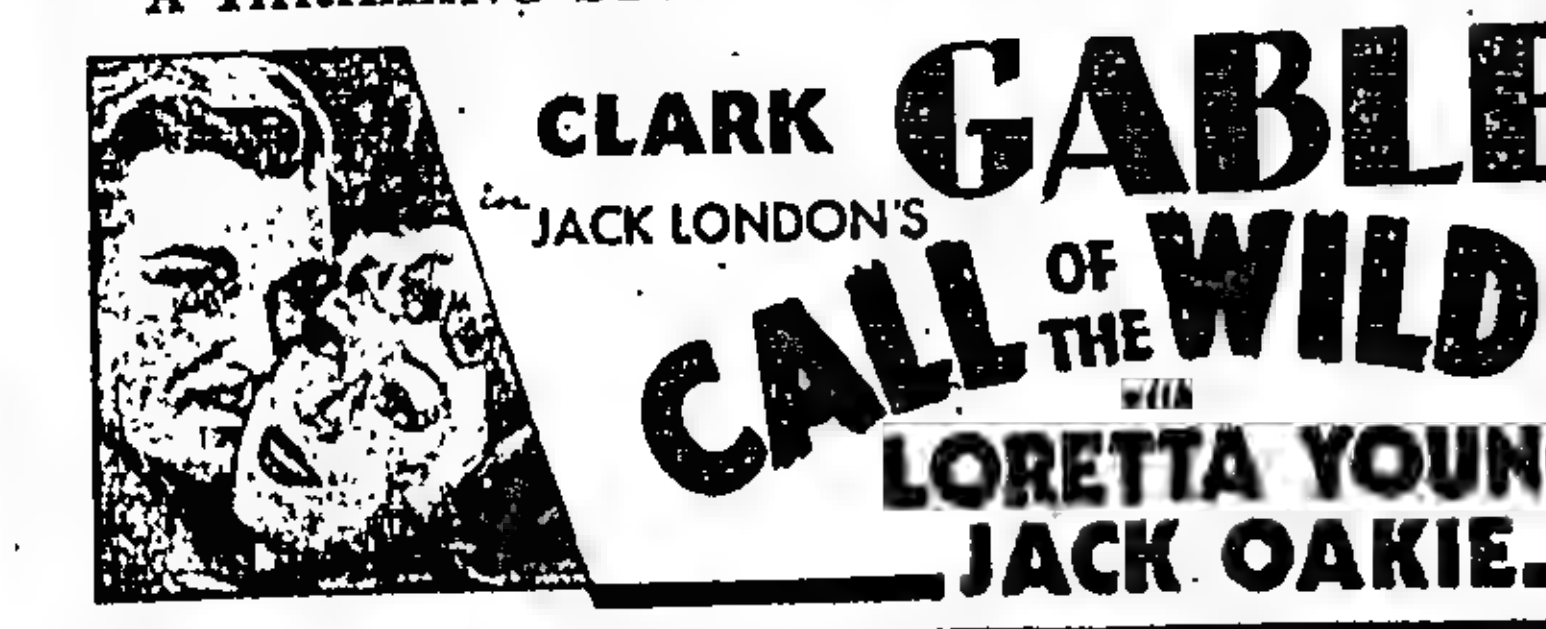
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## A Survey Of China To-day

10-11 a.m.—Relay of Morning Service from St. Joseph's Church.  
11 a.m.—12.15 p.m.—Relay of Morning Service from St. Paul's Church (Chinese).  
12.15 p.m.—Rubinstein at the Piano.  
12.32 p.m.—Hubert Eladell (Tenor) and Dora Labelle (Soprano).  
1.03 p.m.—Marek Weber & His Orchestra and Peter Dawson (Bass-Baritone).  
The Hermit (Impression from the picture by Arnold Becklin) (Clemens Schmalstieg); Forest Idyll (Easlinger).... Marek Weber & His Orchestra.  
The Drums Are On Parade (Newville); Tramping Through The Countryside (Allison).... Peter Dawson (Bass-Baritone) with Orchestra.  
"A Waltz Dream" — Potpourri (Strauss, arr. Dostal).... Marek Weber & His Orchestra.  
The Silver Patrol (from same); Old Plantation (from "Cotton Club Parade").... Peter Dawson (Bass-Baritone) with Orchestra and Male Quartet.  
1.30 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press. Weather Forecast and Announcements.  
1.40 p.m.—Compositions of Schumann.  
Overture "Manfred", Op. 115.... The B.B.C. Symphony Orchestra cond. by Adrian Boult.  
Widmung—Du Mein Seel Du Mein Herz (Op. 25, No. 1).... Maria Olczowska (Contralto) with Piano accom. by George Reeves (In German).  
Mondnacht.... Karl Erb (Tenor) with Piano by Bruno Seidler-Winkler.  
Concerto in A Minor, Op. 54.... Alfred Cortot (Piano) and The London Philharmonic Orchestra cond. by Sir Landon Ronald.  
2.30 p.m.—Close down.  
7 p.m.—An hour of Mendelssohn's Music.  
"A Midsummer Night's Dream"—Overture.... Berlin State Opera Orchestra cond. by Dr. Leo Bloch.  
O Woodman Woe.... Richard Tauber (Tenor) with Orchestra (In German).  
Trio In D Minor, Op. 49.... Cortot, Thibaud and Casals.  
Auf Flugeln Des Gesanges.... Elisabeth Schumann (Soprano) with Orchestra cond. by Dr. Rosenow.  
Overture "Fingal's Cave", Op. 26.... The B.B.C. Symphony Orchestra cond. by Adrian Boult.  
"Midsummer Night's Dream"—Scherzo.... Sergei Rachmaninoff (Piano).  
8 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.  
8.03 p.m.—Relay of a Recital by St. Joseph's Church Choir with The Very Rev. Father A. Riganti at the Organ.  
1. Invocation (Golinelli).... Organ.  
2. Canto della Sera (Antonicelli).... The Choir.  
3. Largo (Veracini).... Cello (E. Pellegrini) and Organ.  
4. "O Vergine, Op. Signora" (Caudana).... The Choir (Sopranos and Altos).  
5. Ave Maria (Castelli).... The Choir.  
6. Romance sans Paroles (Rabaud).... "Cello and Organ.  
7. "Panis Angelicus" (Cesar Frank).... Soprano (Elvie Yuen) with "Cello Obligato.  
8. Sanctus and Benedictus (Caudana).... The Choir.  
8.40 p.m.—Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra.  
Hungarian Rhapsody, No. 2 (Liszt); Prelude In A Flat (Szostakowicz, trans. Stokowski); Festival In Soville (Alvencz, arr. Stokowski).... conducted by Leopold Stokowski.  
9 p.m.—Studio—"A Survey Of China To-day" a talk by Lawrence Impey.  
9.15 p.m.—Excerpts from Puccini's Operas.  
"La Boheme"—Musetta's Waltz Song.... Grace Moore (Soprano) with Orchestra.  
"La Boheme"—Ah Mimi, Falsa One.... Beniamino Gigli (Tenor) and Giuseppe De Luca (Baritone) with Orchestra.  
"Madam Butterfly"—Child, from whose eyes, See, I have caught you.... Sheridan (Soprano) and Portillo (Tenor) with La Scala Orchestra cond. by Carlo Sabajno.  
9.30 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press. Weather Forecast and Announcements.  
9.40 p.m.—Songs by Dennis Noble (Baritone).  
So Well Go No More A-Roving (Byron & White); The Dovecot (Follock & White).... with Piano.  
I Bless The Dawn That Brought Me You (Glanville & Haydn Wood); Silent Worship (from "Polem"—Handel).... with Orchestra.  
9.54 p.m.—Cesar Frank—Choral No. 1 In E Major For Organ. Organ Solo by Albert Schweitzer.  
10.10 p.m.—Studio—Sunday Evening Epilogue—The Rev. J. R. Sandbach.  
10.30 p.m.—Close down.

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# S. CHINA BEAT KOWLOON AFTER 3 ATTEMPTS

## CLUB COLLAPSE AFTER INTERVAL AGAINST SCOTS

At Caroline Hill, Royal Scots easily accounted for Club by 5 goals to 2.

Club fielded a weak team and for a large part of the game were confined to their own half, although at the outset they had a fair share of the play and there was little to indicate that they would be a beaten team from the commencement of the second half.

Wilson led the attack, but was not in shooting form and after the interval he moved to left-back to change positions with Strange. Carr and Bond formed a good left-wing combination and gave Adamson and Fleming some trouble in the early stages, but in general, with the remainder of the forwards, they saw much less of the ball than they should have done.

## Navy Beat Marines

There was a poor attendance at Causeway Bay yesterday when the charity game in aid of the Ministering Children's League was played. The Marines put up a decidedly good show against the acknowledged stronger Navy side and that they were defeated by only the odd goal in five was a noteworthy achievement. Indeed at one period, it almost looked as though they might pull off a surprise.

But, greater steadiness prevailed, and alive though Dixon did, the Sailors managed to get the decision.

Dixon and Honeywell both played football in keeping with their reputations. Ormonde distinguished himself in the Marines' goal, whilst Clifton and Heng played well among the forwards. For the Navy, apart from Honeywell, McAllister played his usual confident game, and Newby was a reliable and strong kicking back.

Clifton gave the Marines the lead, MacVicar equalised and the latter gave the Navy the lead after the interval and Betts sent them further ahead. Clifton reduced the arrears.

## Dazzling Display Of Football In Senior Shield Encounter

### MIDDLESEX BEATS SAPPERS IN JUNIOR SHIELD

At Kowloon, after a very even first half Middlesex asserted their supremacy over Engineers and entered the Junior Shield Final by 5 goals to 1.

Middlesex opened strongly, and although the more aggressive Sappers were first to score, following a clever movement by Shaw, at centre-half, resulting in Denyer beating Drake with a perfect shot. Middlesex equalised shortly before the interval, when a misunderstanding between Moxam and Heath gave Richards an opportunity to cut in and score.

In the second half Engineers were the first to attack, but Jennings, of the Middlesex, ran through between the Engineers' full-backs and sent in a shot which Moxam failed to hold. Jennings was also responsible for Middlesex's third goal, sending a perfect pass to Richards which enabled the latter to score. Jennings added another two to complete their tally.

For Middlesex, Jennings, Richards and C. Thomas worked well together on the left-wing, while R. Thomas and Thompson were hard-working defenders who gave nothing away. Birrell and Shaw were outstanding among the Engineers' halves, and Fox and Denyer were their best forwards.

### 30th Bty. Win Again

At the Valley, 30th Bty. enhanced their prospects of securing Third Division runners-up position by defeating 5th A.A. Regt. by three clear goals.

The winners were well served by their forwards, who were all in great form and were always dangerous when near goal. Elliott was a great leader, always in the right place and keeping his wings well supplied with passes. The halves also had a great say in the result as they did not give any latitude to the opposing forwards.

5th A.A. Regt. had to thank McCadden for keeping the score down to reasonable proportions.

Goals were scored by Elliott, who netted twice in the opening half, and Tuckley, who found the net late in the second period.

## Hartley Saves Penalty From Fung In Miraculous Style

### RESULTS AND SCORERS

#### SENIOR SHIELD 2ND ROUND REPLAY

Kowloon..... 1 S. China "A"..... 2  
F. Santos..... Fung King-cheong 2

#### FIRST DIVISION

Royal Scots..... 5 Club..... 2  
Hoanck 2, Mun-ro, Callaghan, Marshall, Carr, Strange.

#### JUNIOR SHIELD SEMI-FINAL

Royal Engineers 1 Middlesex..... 5  
Denyer..... Richards 2

#### SECOND DIVISION

5th A.A. Regt. 4 St. Joseph's..... 0  
Calvert 3, Chesters.

#### THIRD DIVISION "A"

Kowloon..... 1 Kwong Wah..... 2  
H. Santos..... Lung Che-lup, Fernandes (own goal).

#### THIRD DIVISION "B"

R.A.S.C..... 0 Kit Chee..... 4  
Fok Yui-wah 3, Chow Kwai-chong.

\*Stanley..... v. Electric  
Elliott 2, Tuckley.

#### THIRD DIVISION CHAMPIONSHIP PLAY-OFF 2ND ROUND

Royal Scots..... 2 R. A. F..... 0  
Gibson, Crawford.

#### CHARITY MATCH

Navy..... 3 Marines..... 2  
McVicar 2, Betts, Christmas, Clifton.

### LEAGUE TABLES

FIRST DIVISION				
	P.	W.	D.	L.
Navy	16	12	3	1
S. China "A"	13	10	0	3
Eastern	13	8	1	4
Middlesex	16	7	2	7
Police	16	7	2	7
S. China "B"	13	6	1	6
Royal Scots	15	3	7	5
Kowloon	13	5	2	6
Kwong Wah	14	3	5	6
Club	16	4	1	11
St. Joseph's	13	2	2	9

Totals..... 158 67 24 67 359 359 158

#### SECOND DIVISION

	P.	W.	D.	L.
5th A.A. Regt.	17	13	3	1
South China	17	13	2	2
Royal Scots	17	13	1	3
Middlesex	17	13	1	3
Kwong Wah	17	9	0	8
R.A.O.C.	17	7	2	8
R. Engineers	15	7	0	8
Kowloon	17	6	1	10
St. Joseph's	16	6	0	10
Police	17	3	2	12
Eastern	16	0	4	12
Club	17	1	1	15

Totals..... 200 92 16 92 491 491 200

#### THIRD DIVISION "A" SECTION

	P.	W.	D.	L.
Royal Scots	18	13	3	2
30th Hy. Bty.	18	10	2	6
South China	18	9	4	5
Kit Chee	16	9	2	5
P.W.D.	16	7	5	4
Stanley	17	8	3	6
Electric	17	7	0	10
Engineers (C)	17	5	3	9
5th A.A. Regt.	17	2	3	12
R.A.S.C.	18	3	1	14

Totals..... 172 73 25 73 377 377 172

#### THIRD DIVISION "B" SECTION

	P.	W.	D.	L.
R.A.F.	18	15	1	2
Scouters W/T	18	14	1	3
30th Hy. Bty.	18	13	2	3
Signal	18	9	3	6
R.A.M.C.	17	8	4	5
Engineers (E)	18	7	2	9
Kumam Rifles	17	5	3	9
University	18	5	1	12
Powhattan	17	2	1	14
A.S.A.	17	1	0	16

Totals..... 176 79 18 79 396 396 176

### 3 To 0 Win For Kit Chee

The R.A.S.C. played their final Third Division game at Happy Valley and as in the majority of previous matches failed to obtain a point.

Their opponents, Kit Chee, scored four times without reply.

The final score gives no indication of the run of play as R.A.S.C. had as much of the ball as Kit Chee, and it was only lack of thrust in their final efforts that robbed them of goals.

The best forwards on view were undoubtedly Chow Kwai-chong and Fok Yui-wah. Between them these two players scored all Kit Chee's goals and were a constant menace to R.A.S.C. The forward line, although not showing so much dash as the other two, played a very steady game and was the originator of many fine movements. R.A.S.C. lacked combination and only individual play can receive special mention. Hammond and Brown were the best forwards, while in defence Foster and Simpson always tried hard.

Owing to Hong Kong Electric's inability to raise a team, the match scheduled to take place on the Military ground was cancelled and R.A.S.C. were awarded the points.

#### K.B.C.C. BOWLS

The annual all-day match for the Attakay Shield will be played at Kowloon Bowling Green Club on Monday February 20, commencing at 10.15 a.m.

## Lai Shui Wing Back To His Best Form

At the third time of asking, South China "A" and Kowloon managed to arrive at a decisive result in their Senior Shield first round tie, South China winning by the odd goal in three at Sookunpoo yesterday.

In a way Kowloon were unlucky losers, as they played much better football than on the last occasion they met South China, showing an all-round improvement yesterday that augers well for their remaining League games. South China played dazzling football for the best part of the game, however, and Kowloon were indeed unfortunate in finding their opponents in such fine form.

Both sides made changes in their teams, F. Santos playing for Kowloon in place of Bell, and South China included Y. Z. Chung, from Shanghai, in goal, and Lee Yan-leung at inside-right, Lai Shui-wing moving to the inside-left berth.

The game was exciting throughout and both goals had a number of narrow escapes which brought the crowd to their feet.

The highlight of the game was a magnificent save by Hartley from a penalty taken by Fung King-cheong. Fung placed his shot well towards the corner of the goal, but with a truly wonderful dive Hartley reached it and pushed the ball clear.

Y. Z. Chung, in South China's goal, dealt capably with all the shots that came his way and without being brilliant gave the impression of being very safe. Lai Shui-wing showed a welcome return to form and his combination with Fung King-cheong was a joy to watch. Bliss again had a good game for Kowloon, and F. Santos was an improvement in the centre-forward berth.

Kowloon opened on the attack and for sometime the South China goal was under pressure. Y. Z. Chung saving well from W. Knox. However, after five minutes, all against the run.

## Royal Scots Win Title

As a result of their two goals to nil win over R.A.F. at Sookunpoo yesterday, Royal Scots became the Third Division champions for the season 1938-39.

Royal Scots deserved their win and were superior to their opponents in almost all departments, although the Airmen were by no means outclassed. Chief fault of the R.A.F. side was their lack of marksmanship.

Cuthbert, Alf. Forre half-back, was the outstanding player, on the field and gave a sterling display throughout.

Little fault could be found with Royal Scots, Fraser, at centre-half, being outstanding, while Bailey was the pick of a good forward line, being very fast and his tactics proving too much for the R.A.F. defenders.

After the interval the Scots took the lead through Crawford and increased their lead through Gibson.

## Kwong Wah Beat K'loon

At Kowloon, in a very indifferent game in which good football was very rarely seen, Kwong Wah secured both points from Kowloon by the odd goal in three.

Chow Wing-lung, Kwong Wah's left-winger, paved the way for the first goal when he centred to the unmarked Lung Che-lup, who scored, and just before the interval Lung Che-lup sent in a shot from the right-wing, and Fernandes, in an endeavour to clear, deflected the ball into his own goal.

In the second half, Kowloon played better football, and during a raid on Kwong Wah's goal, the ball rebounded from the crossbar to Santos, who scored.

Humphrey was the outstanding defender on the field, while Santos and Bell were Kowloon's most forceful forwards. Kwong Wah's defence was best served by W. Tillery and Chung Kim-fai, while Henry Young worked hard in the forward line.

## 5th A.A. Win Poor Game

A very disappointing game was witnessed at the Valley when 5th A.A. Regt. maintained their challenge for the Second Division supremacy by defeating St. Joseph's by four clear goals.

St. Joseph's fielded a weak team including several reserves, but were rather unlucky not to score on two or three occasions. Leonard was a live wire amongst the forwards and was constantly threatening the St. Joseph's side, however, was Souza who played a really great game in goal.

The Gunners started the game with Calvert on the right-wing, but after 10 minutes he was switched over to the left and a change for the better was noticeable. Artillery certainly did not show up as potential champions.

Calvert opened the score after 20 minutes and two minutes later added a second. St. Joseph's managed to keep their opponents out till 10 minutes from time, when further goals were scored by Chester and Calvert.

## PRESENT MALAYAN RUGBY TOUR ONLY FIRST OF SERIES?

Hopes that "this series was but the foundation stone of a building which would grow year by year" were expressed by the Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith, C.M.G., at the dinner given by the Hong Kong Football Club, Rugby Section, to the Malayan Interport Rugby team and Services, last night at the Roof Garden of the Hong Kong Hotel, which was filled to capacity.

Mr. H. R. Forsyth, vice-president of the Club, presided, and the following were present at the main table: Mr. J. H. Van Der Gucht (Malayan manager), Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith, Mr. D. R. Harper (Malayan captain), Capt. Simpson (Malayan vice-captain), Lt. Comdr. R. R. Helbert R.N., Capt. Proes (Army), Lt. W. Elliot (Navy and Colony Captain), Mr. H. D. Bidwell (Club Captain), Dr. J. A. R. Selby (official referee), 2/Lt. N. H. Cuthbertson, Mr. C. Austin (Rugby Section Hon. Secretary), Mr. A. J. Taylor (Club secretary), Mr. A. E. W. Walkden, Lt. I. M. Anderson, R.N., and Lt. J. E. Stevens, R.N.

Following the Toast of "The King," which was proposed by Mr. H. R. Forsyth, the Vice-President introduced Mr. N. L. Smith to propose the toast of the evening, "Our Visitors." Mr. Smith said in part: "This is a very historic occasion, just like the laying of a foundation stone, and I sincerely hope that this building will rise year by year (applause). I do propose the health of our visitors with great pleasure. About to-day's

### LEAVING TO-DAY

The Malayan Interport team leave for Singapore this morning by the B. I. steam B. S. Tiliwa.

game, I think no one will disagree with me when I say the best side won. On the other hand Hong Kong players have learned a great deal about forward play (cries of heart heard).

After Tuesday's game I was of the opinion that the Malayan pack was one of the finest we had seen here for many a year, and they were not only terrifically fit (laughter) and kept going away, but they were also an intelligent lot of forwards (laughter and cries of heart heard).

"I hear from a very good source, however, that one Malayan player woke up one very recent morning with a bit of Queen Victoria's statue in his bed (loud laughter)."

"I have great pleasure in making this toast of 'Our Visitors,' coupled with the name of Dr. Lawrie, President of the Malayan Rugby Union, whom I understand was one of the prime movers of this tour, and also the name of Dr. R. Harper, the Malayan captain."

### TRIBUTE TO NAVY

Mr. H. R. Forsyth, proposing the toast of the Services, said how much they were indebted to the two sections and particularly the Navy for adding a little variety to their usual round of games.

Lt. W. Elliot, replying on behalf of the Navy and for the Colony players, said that the way he hoped all Rugby players would look at the series was from the angle that the first thing all Rugby players had to remember was the friendships they had made and not the result of the game. (loud applause).

Capt. Simpson, replying on behalf of the Army, paid a tribute to the referees, Cdr. Linton and Dr. J. A. R. Selby.

Mr. H. D. Bidwell, Club Rugby captain, said in part:

"The small Malayan pack did their stuff and showed us a new angle of the game, from their lofty heights."

"Where else in the world would a Queen lose her sceptre, for it to be dramatically rescued by a pseudo plain clothed detective, only to be found next morning resting peacefully in someone's bed, but on a Rugby tour."

"I hope the Malayan side will take the sceptre as well as the flag I am now going to present to Harper back with them, and that in the future they will bring back pleasant memories of their tour to Hong Kong. I now have pleasure in handing over our flag to Harper."

D. R. Harper, the Malayan captain, said his chief duty was to thank the President and their hosts for the magnificent hospitality they had enjoyed. He thanked Bidwell for the Interport flag, which he did not think they deserved to have, and, referring to the series, reiterated Mr. N. L. Smith's remarks about this being only the start of the series. "We shall never be able to repay the magnificent hospitality we have enjoyed, but we would like to have a try and repay this in kind if Hong Kong could possibly see their way to sending a team South next year."

Mr. Harper paid a tribute to the magnificent sports work of Mr. C. Austin, the hard-working Hon. Secretary of the Club, (applause) and to Messrs. H. R. Forsyth, H. D. Bidwell and A. E. W. Walkden.

He also looked forward to seeing some of to-night's players in Malaya but was afraid that he himself had played his last game yesterday (cries of "Wah! Wah!").

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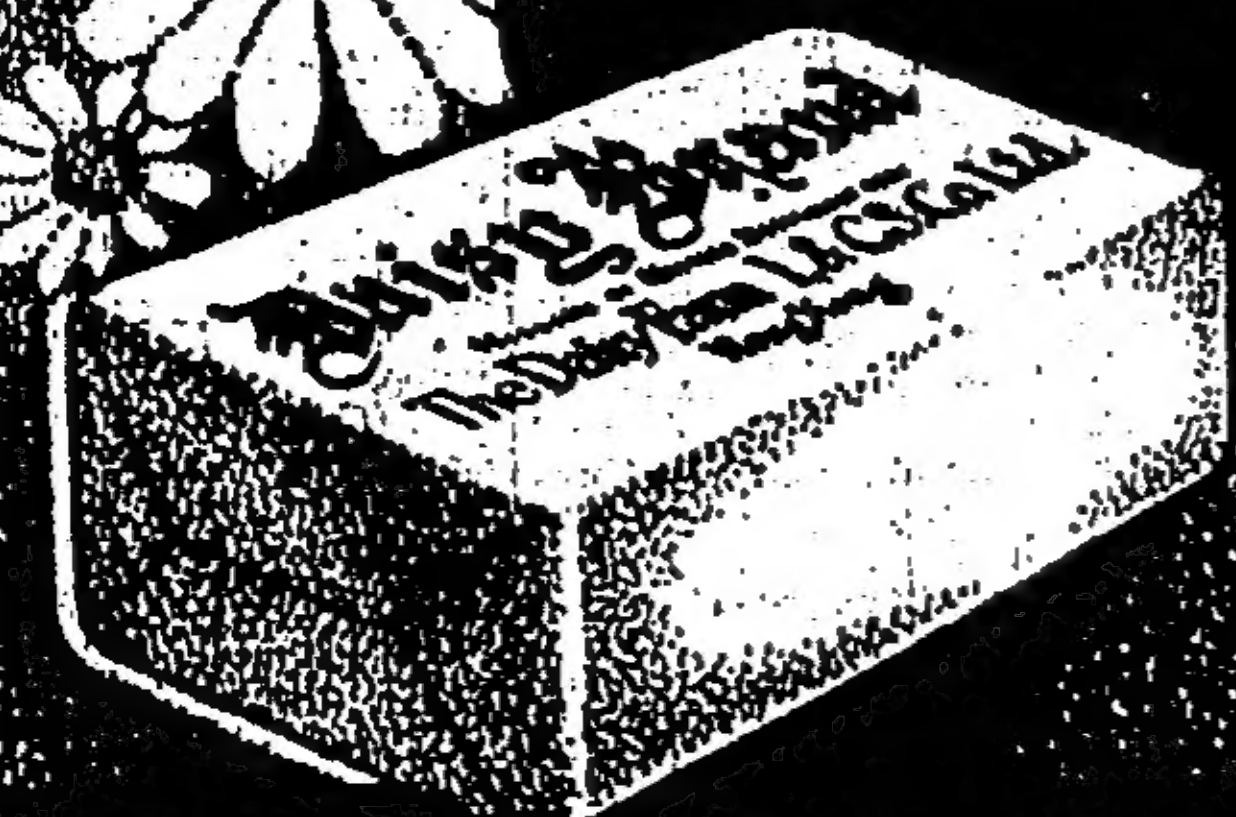
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The guest raised a polite hand in negation. Cautiously, he edged his own chair nearer to the blazing logs, though he was of the opinion that the opportunity for roasting the soles of one's feet (like some medieval torture) did not offset the cold draught that swirled round the back of the shoulders.

Colonel Johnson, Chief Constable of Middlesex, might be of the opinion that nothing could beat a wood fire, but Hercule Poirot was of opinion that central heating could and did every time!

"Amazing business, that Cartwright case," remarked the host reminiscently. "Amazing man! Enormous charm of manner. Why, when he came here with you, he had us all eating out of his hand."

He shook his head. "We'll never have anything like that case!" he said. "Nicotine poisoning is rare, fortunately."

"There was a time when you would have considered all poisoning un-English," suggested Hercule Poirot. "A device of foreigners! Unsportsman-like!"

"I hardly think we could say that," said the Chief Constable. "Plenty of poisoning by arsenic—probably a good deal more than has ever been suspected."

"Possibly, yes."

"Always an awkward business, a poisoning case," said Johnson. "Conflicting testimony of the experts—then doctors are usually so extremely cautious in what they say. Always a difficult case to take to a jury. No, if one must have murder (which heaven forbid) give me a straightforward case. Something where there's no ambiguity about the cause of death."

Poirot nodded. "The bullet wound, the cut throat, the crushed-in skull? It is there your preference lies?"

"Oh, don't call it a preference, my dear fellow. Don't harbour any idea that I like murder cases! Hope I never have another. Anyway, we ought to be safe enough during your visit."

Poirot began modestly: "My reputation—"

But Johnson had gone on. "Christmas time," he said. "Peace, good will—and all that kind of thing. Good will all round."

Hercule Poirot leaned back in his chair. He joined his finger tips. He studied his host thoughtfully.

"It is, then, your opinion, that Christmas time is an unlikely season for crimes?"

"That's what I said."

"Why?" Johnson was thrown slightly out of his stride. "Well, as I've just said, season of good cheer and all that!"

Hercule Poirot murmured: "The British, they are so sentimental!"

Johnson said stoutly: "What if we are? What if we do like the old ways, the old traditional festivities? What's the harm?"

"There is no harm. It is all most charming! But let us for a moment examine facts. You have said that Christmas is a season of good cheer. That means, does it not, a lot of eating and drinking? And with the over-eating there comes the indigestion! And with the indigestion there comes 'Crimes,' said Colonel Johnson, 'are not committed from irritability.'"

"I am not so sure! Christmas, a point. There is, at its, as you say, 'the thing to do.' Old quarrels are patched up, those who have disagreed consent to agree once more, even if it is only temporarily."

Johnson nodded. "Bury the hatchet, that's right." Poirot pursed his lips. "And families, now, families who have been separated throughout the year assemble once more together. Now under these conditions, my friend, you must admit that there will occur a great amount of strain. People who do not feel amiable to appear great pressure on themselves to appear amiable. There is at Christmas time a great deal of hypocrisy, honourable hypocrisy, hypocritical undertaken pour bon motif, c'est entendu, but nevertheless hypocrisy!"

"Well, I shouldn't put it quite like that myself," said Colonel Johnson. "No, no. It is I who am putting it like that, not you! I am pointing out to you that under these conditions—mental strain, physical mistakes—it is highly probable that disputes that were before merely mild, and disagreements that were trivial, might suddenly as-

sume a more serious character. "Pretending to be a more amiable, a more forgiving, a more high-minded person than one really is has sooner or later the effect of causing one to behave as a more disagreeable, a more ruthless and an altogether more unpleasant person than is actually the case! If you dam the stream of natural behaviour, mon ami, sooner or later the dam bursts and a cataclysm occurs!"

Colonel Johnson looked at him doubtfully. "Never know when you're serious and when you're pulling my leg," he grumbled.

Poirot smiled at him. "I am not serious! Not in the least am I serious! But all the same, it is true what I say—artificial conditions bring about their natural reaction."

Colonel Johnson's manservant entered the room. "Superintendent Sugden on the phone, sir."

"Right. I'll come."

With a word of apology the Chief Constable left the room. He returned some three minutes later. His face was grave and perturbed.

"Damn it all!" he said. "Case of murder! On Christmas Eve, too!"

Poirot's eyebrows rose. "It is that definitely—murder. I mean?"

"Oh, no other solution possible! Perfectly clear case. Murder—and a brutal murder at that!"

"Who is the victim?"

"Old Simon Lee. Lives in Longdale. At Gorston Hall. One of the richest men we've got! Made his money in South Africa originally. Gold—no, diamonds, I believe. He sank an immense fortune in manufacturing some parcel gadget of mining machinery. His own invention I believe. Anyway, it's paid him hand over fist! They say he's a millionaire twice over."

Poirot said: "He was well liked, yes?"

Johnson said slowly: "Don't think any one liked him. Queer sort of character. He's been an invalid for some years now. I don't know very much about him myself. But of course he is one of the big figures of the county."

"So this case, it will make a big stir?"

"Yes. I must get over to Gorston Hall as fast as I can."

He hesitated, looking at his guest. Poirot answered the unspoken question.

"You would like that I should accompany you?"

Johnson said awkwardly: "Seems a shame to ask you. But, well, you know how it is! Superintendent Sugden is a good man, none better, painstaking, careful, thoroughly sound—but well, he's not an imaginative chap in any way. Should like very much, as you are here, benefit of your advice."

He halted a little over the end part of his speech, making it somewhat telegraphic in style. Poirot responded quickly.

"I shall be delighted. You can count on me to assist you in any way I can. We must not hurt the feelings of the good Superintendent. It will be his case—not mine. I am only the unofficial consultant."

Colonel Johnson said warmly: "You're a good fellow, Poirot." With these words of commendation the two men started out.

It was a constable who opened the front door to them and saluted. Behind him, Superintendent Sugden advanced down the hall and said: "Glad you've got here, sir. Shall we come into this room here on the left—Mr. Lee's study? I'd like to run over the main outlines. The whole thing's a rum business."

He ushered them into a small room on the left of the hall. There was a telephone there and a big desk covered with papers. The walls were lined with bookcases.

The Chief Constable said: "Sugden, this is M. Hercule Poirot. You may have heard of him. Just happened to be staying with me. Superintendent Sugden."

Poirot made a little bow and looked at the other man over. He saw a man with square shoulders and a military bearing who had an aquiline nose, a pug-nosed jaw and a large flourishing chestnut-coloured moustache. Sugden stared hard at Hercule Poirot after acknowledging the introduction. Hercule Poirot stared hard at Superintendent Sugden's moustache. The luncheon seemed to fascinate him. It fascinated him.

"Of course I have heard of you, Mr. Poirot. You were in this part of the world some years ago if I remember rightly. Death of Sir Bartholomew Strange. Poisoning case. Nicotine. Not my district, but, of course, I heard all about it."

Colonel Johnson said impatiently: "Now then, Sugden, let's have the facts. A clear case, you said."



"Yes, Sir, it's a clear case of murder right enough!"

"Yes, sir, it's murder right enough—not a doubt of that. Mr. Lee's throat was cut—fugular vein severed. I understand from the doctor. But there's something very odd about the whole matter."

"You mean—"

"I'd like you to hear my story first, sir. These are the circumstances. This afternoon, about five o'clock, I was rung up by Mr. Lee at Addlesfield Police Station. He sounded a bit odd over the 'phone—asked me to come and see him at eight o'clock this evening."

Superintendent Sugden paused, drew a breath and then proceeded in a somewhat official manner with his report. "Mr. Lee was seated in a chair by the fireplace. He was wearing a dressing-gown. When the butler had left the room and closed the door, Mr. Lee asked me to sit down near him. He then said rather hesitatingly that he wanted to give me particulars of a robbery. I asked him what had been taken. He replied that he had reason-

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## MURDER AT CHRISTMAS

"Poirot nodded appreciatively..."

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to believe that diamonds (uncut diamonds I think he said) to the value of several thousand pounds had been stolen from his safe."

"Diamonds, eh?" said the Chief Constable.

"Yes, sir. I asked him various routine questions, but his manner was very uncertain and his replies were somewhat vague in character. At last he said: 'You must understand, Superintendent, that I may be mistaken in this matter.' I said: 'I do not quite understand, sir. Either the diamonds are missing or they are not missing—one or the other.'"

"He replied: 'The diamonds are certainly missing, but it is just possible, Superintendent, that their disappearance may be simply a rather foolish kind of practical joke.' Well, that seemed odd to me, but I said nothing. He went on: 'It is difficult for me to explain in detail, but what it amounts to is this: So far as I can see only two persons can possibly have the stones. One of these persons might have done it as a joke. If the other person took them, then they have definitely been stolen.'"

"I said: 'What exactly do you want me to do, sir?' He said quickly: 'I want you, Superintendent, to return here in about an hour—no, make it a little more than that—say nine-fifteen. At that time I shall be able to tell you definitely whether I have been robbed or not.' I was a little mystified, but I agreed and went away."

Colonel Johnson commented: "Curious—very curious. What do you say, Poirot?" Hercule Poirot said:

"May I ask, Superintendent, what conclusions you yourself drew?"

The Superintendent stroked his jaw as he replied carefully.

"Well, various ideas occurred to me, but, on the whole, I figured it out this way. There was no question of any practical joke. The diamonds had been stolen all right. But the old gentleman wasn't sure who'd done it. It's my opinion that he was speaking the truth when he said that it might have been one of two people—and of those two people one was a servant and the other was a member of the family."

Poirot nodded appreciatively.

"Then, sir, that explains his attitude very well."

"Hence his desire that I should return later. In the interval he meant to have an interview with the persons in question. He would tell them that he had already spoken of the matter to the police, but that if restitution were promptly made he could hush the matter up."

Colonel Johnson said:

"And if the suspect didn't respond?"

"In that case, he meant to place the investigation in our hands."

Colonel Johnson frowned and twisted his moustache. He demurred.

"Why not take that course before calling you in?"

"No, no, sir," The Superintendent shook his head. "Don't you see, if he had done that, it might have been bluff. It wouldn't have been half so convincing. The person might say to himself: 'The old man won't call the police in no matter what he suspects!'"

"But if the old gentleman says to him: 'I've already spoken to the police, the Superintendent has only just left.' Then the thief asks the butler, say, and the butler confirms that. He says, 'Yes, the Superintendent was here just before dinner.' Then the thief is convinced the old gentleman means business and it's up to him to cough up the stones."

"If I'm, yes, I see that," said Colonel Johnson. "Any idea, Sugden, who this member of the family might be?"

"No, sir."

"No indication whatsoever."

"None."

## BRIDGE NOTES

BY ELY CULBERTSON

## Timing-The Crux Of Squeeze Plays

BY all odds, the most difficult feature of squeeze plays is timing. And it is ignorance on that point that has kept the ranks of squeeze masters as thin as they are. Consider the two apparently similar, but actually different, methods of playing the following hand:

West, dealer.  
North-South vulnerable.  
NORTH  
S-K 4 2  
H-K 4 3  
D-5 3  
C-9 8 5 4 2  
WEST  
S-J 10 7 3  
H-Q 10 9 8 7 5 2  
D-6  
C-7  
EAST  
S-Q 9 8 6  
H-J  
D-K Q 9 8 7 2  
C-10 6  
SOUTH  
S-A 5  
H-A 6  
D-A J 10 4  
C-A K Q J 8

The bidding:  
West North East South  
Pass Pass 3 dia. 4 no tr/p  
5 hearts Double Pass 5 no tr/p  
Pass 6 no tr/p Pass Pass

East's three diamond bid obviously was an attempted "nuisance bid," and indeed it did make matters rather difficult for North-South. South selected his four no trump jump overall as the strongest bid he dared make. West felt that his non-vulnerability made a sacrifice bid at hearts attractive. But, even though North doubled this, South was afraid that there was a laydown slam in the hand—and went out for it. North, with two kings, accepted South's strong invitation. Obviously six clubs would have been easy, but South shied off that contract because he felt that the opponents' bidding had indicated that a defensive cross-ruff might develop, i.e., East might ruff an opening heart lead and West ruff a diamond return.

West opened his singleton diamond. East played the queen and declarer won. He cashed the ace and king of clubs, then entered dummy with the club nine, and led a diamond toward the jack-ten. East was not so accommodating as to put up his king; however, and from that point declarer struggled in vain for the twelfth trick. No squeeze could be developed, and the slam contract was down one.

Now let us note the result of a very simple change in the timing. Let us make East a gracious present of the first trick. His return would make no difference and, therefore, let us assume it would be the heart jack. We win with the ace and, as before, cash the ace, king of clubs, then enter dummy with the club nine to finesse in diamonds. Our ten holds. We then cash the rest of the clubs, at which point we are reduced to five cards, the A-5 of spades, the 6 of hearts, and A-J of diamonds. West holds the J-10-7 of spades and the Q-10 of hearts. Dummy has its three spades intact, and the K-4 of hearts. East properly has kept the Q-9-8 of spades and the K-9 of diamonds. We now cash the diamond ace and cause West acute discomfort. He cannot let go a heart because then dummy's K-4 would become good, hence, must reduce to the J-10 of spades. Thereupon we let go dummy's four of hearts. East, of course, follows suit in diamonds. Now we lead a heart to the king and it is East's turn to sweat. If he lets go the diamond king, we return to our spade ace and cash the diamond jack; if he lets go the spade eight, we lead to the spade ace, lead the five to the king, and cash the four spot for the winning trick.

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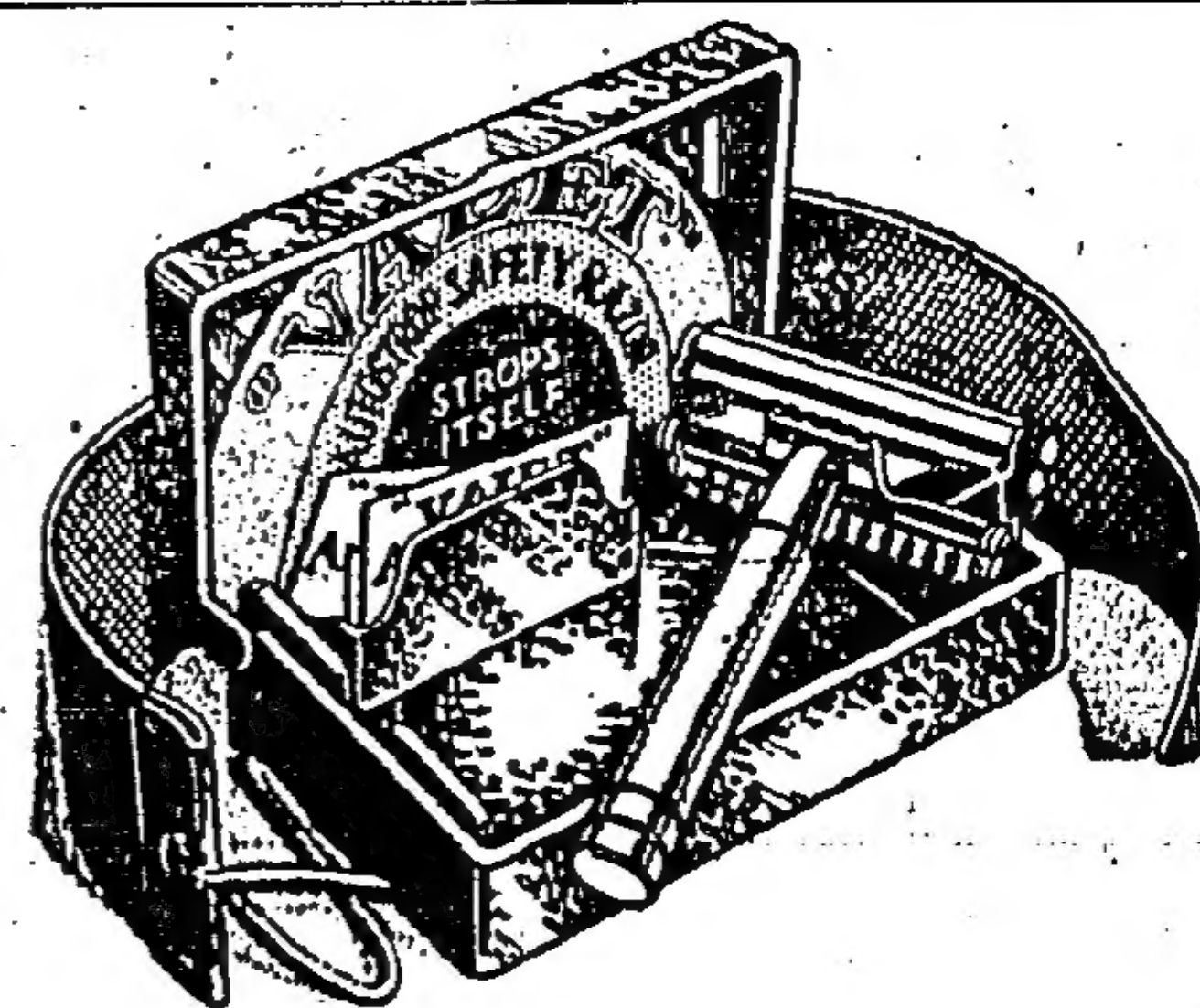
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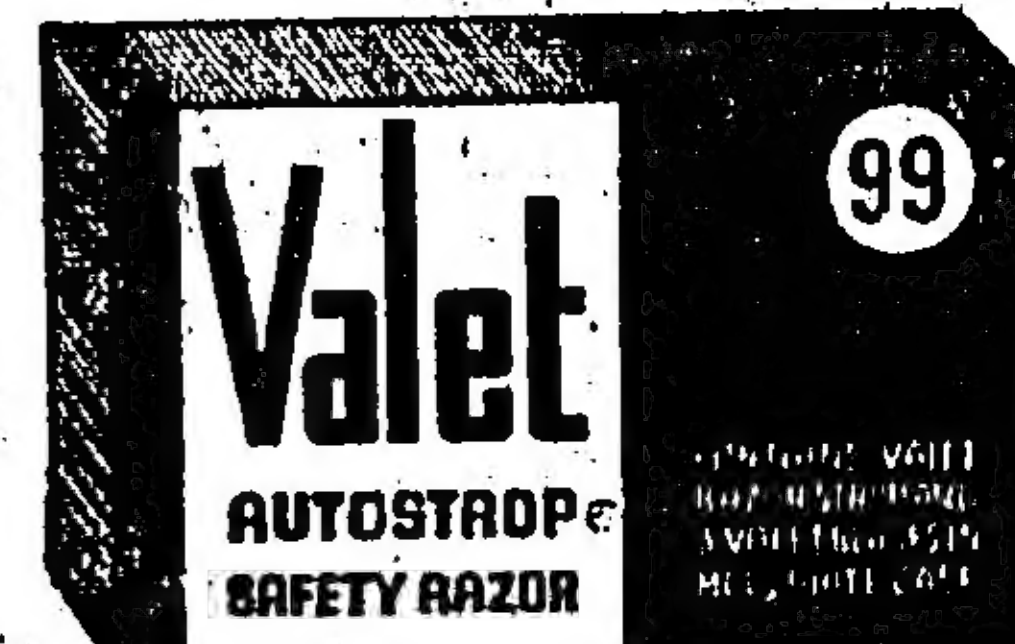
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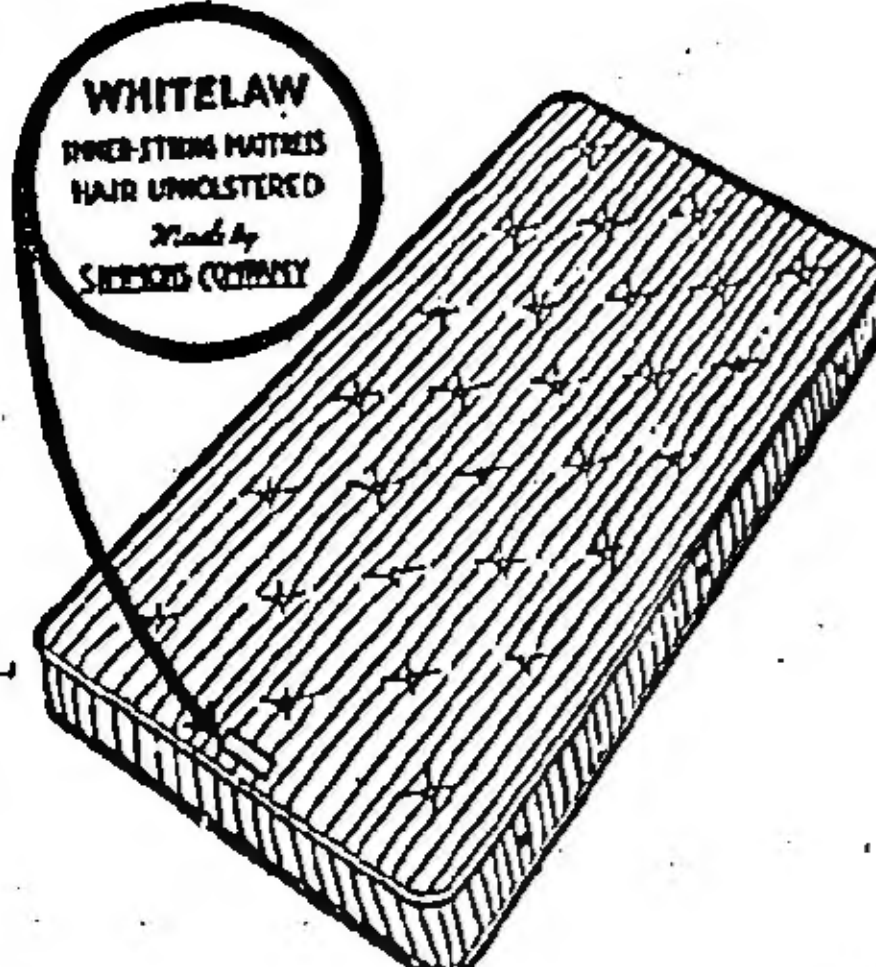
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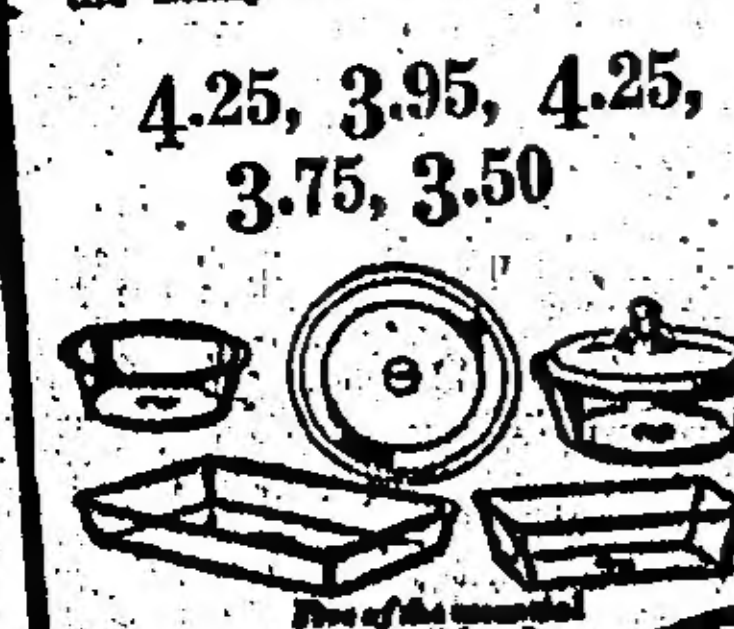


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### R.A. OFFICER LOSES \$2,500 IN BURGLARY

Burglars who visited the residence of Captain A. F. D. Colson, Royal Artillery, at No. 138, Argyle Street on Friday night, made a haul of over \$2,482.

Among articles stolen were a diamond brooch, valued at \$1,280, a diamond ring worth \$178, a Rolex Watch valued at \$298, another diamond ring and a cigarette case.

The watch was later found, in the house, probably dropped by the thief in his haste to leave. All the jewellery was insured.

### MAIL TRAIN CRASH FATALITY NEAR BRISBANE

Brisbane, Yesterday. One man was killed and three injured when a mail train crashed into a shunting engine at a small station near Ipswich.

The engine of the mail train was overturned and the second carriage was telescoped. Fortunately, few passengers were being carried.

Two railway officials have been suspended.

### POLICE SCOURING LONDON

London, Yesterday. The police are now busy compiling a list of names of all Irishmen who are living in London.

Detectives who are compiling the names, birth dates and addresses of London Irish have also been ordered to find out whether they are members of any political organisations.

It is believed that the total number of Irish in Greater London is at least 100,000.—Trans-Ocean.

### DUTCH DEFENCE OF CURACAO

The Hague, Yesterday. Vice-Admiral van Dulm, of the Netherlands Navy, accompanied by several military experts, has left for the United States to investigate on behalf of the Netherlands Government defence measures in the Dutch island of Curacao, in the West Indies.

## Chinese Troops And Police Take To Hills

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

Kwongchowwan, Yesterday. Japanese planes were flying over Hoihow and Kiungchow districts unceasingly to-day and dropped numerous bombs, presumably on Chinese positions. All Chinese soldiers and police have taken to the surrounding hills where fighting with the Japanese forces is reported.

Gunfire was audible in Kiungchow and Hoihow this afternoon. Japanese troops were landed at Hoihow from transports to-day, and it is estimated that about 1,000 soldiers have been added to those who occupied the two cities yesterday.

It is also reported here that Lieutenant-General R. Ando, Commander-in-Chief of the Japanese Expeditionary Forces to South China, and Vice-Admiral N. Kondo, Commander-in-Chief of the Japanese Fleet in South China, are both now in Hoihow.—Our Own Correspondent.

## SPECIAL TOUR BY ADMIRAL USBORNE

London, Yesterday. Vice-Admiral C. V. Usborne, the distinguished expert on naval strategy, left London yesterday to lecture on behalf of the British Council in Yugoslavia, Roumania, Poland and the Netherlands.

His subject will be "Industry and problems of national defence in Great Britain."

Admiral Usborne had an outstanding career in the Navy—use of the paravane was largely due to his inventive skill—and he was formerly Director of Naval Intelligence at the Admiralty.—British Wireless.

## BRITISH PURCHASE OF U.S. AIRCRAFT

Washington, Yesterday. Total value of planes and parts and accessories for planes destined for Britain, for which export licenses were issued by the State Department in January, is stated to be about \$4,400,000.

The exact number of planes for which export licenses were issued in January is not revealed but informed quarters estimate that licenses covered about 100 planes. It is said that altogether about 650 planes have been ordered by England in the United States thus far.—Trans-Ocean.

## WANG CHING-WEI "DETAINED"

Hai Phong, Yesterday. A very reliable Chinese source revealed to-day that the Chinese Government has no intention of granting Mr. Wang Ching-wei, former Premier, the necessary passport to leave Indo-China. Mr. Wang is, therefore, actually under a form of detention here.—Our Own Correspondent.

## JAPANESE PROTESTS TO THE S.M.C.

Shanghai, Yesterday. The Japanese Consul-General in Shanghai has made representations to the Municipal Council of the International Settlement, as well as the French Consulate-General, in both instances requesting that pressure be brought to bear in order to suppress terrorist acts in the International Settlement and French Concession.

The Japanese Consul-General visited the Chairman of the Municipal Council and the French Consul-General personally, and exchanged views regarding police measures for combating the crime wave.

It will be recalled in this connection that at the beginning of this week four pro-Japanese Chinese officials were assassinated within 48 hours.—Trans-Ocean.

## STIR CAUSED BY MRS. ROOSEVELT

WASHINGTON, YESTERDAY. SOME STIR HAS BEEN CAUSED BY DEFENCE OF THE SPANISH REPUBLICAN GOVERNMENT BY MRS. ROOSEVELT, WIFE OF THE PRESIDENT, IN HER DAILY NEWS-PAPER COLUMN.

Revealing that she has just accepted from the Spanish Ambassador the gift of Goya prints, Mrs. Roosevelt rejects the objections of correspondents that she should not accept it.

She adds that she does so "with deep appreciation and gratitude. What I know about the Loyalist Government makes me feel that we in this country would call it a Democratic Government."

"Though it may have shown antagonism to religion at one time, this seems to have changed,"—Reuter.

## M.C.C. ALL OUT

Salisbury, Yesterday. The M.C.C. touring team were dismissed cheaply in their match with Rhodesia which began here to-day. On a wicket favouring bowlers the visitors were all out for 180. Rhodesia fared worse and were dismissed for 96.—Reuter.

## PORT MAHON INCIDENT

London, Yesterday. The diplomatic correspondent of the "Daily Telegraph" says that Britain is satisfied that General Franco did not order the bombing of Port Mahon during the presence of H.M.S. Devonshire.

"It is already obvious who were responsible, and when all official reports are received, there may be highly interesting developments."

## AMERICAN OIL COMPANIES' NEW EFFORT

NEW YORK, YESTERDAY. AMERICAN OIL COMPANIES ARE STATED TO HAVE DRAFTED A PROPOSAL FOR SUBMISSION TO PRESIDENT CARDENAS AS A BASIS FOR NEGOTIATIONS IN THE DISPUTE BETWEEN MEXICO AND THE UNITED STATES, ACCORDING TO THE WASHINGTON CORRESPONDENT OF THE NEW YORK "HERALD-TRIBUNE."

The companies are reported to have been encouraged by reports that President Roosevelt had informed the Mexican Government that the United States insisted on adequate compensation for the expropriated oil properties.

### FIFTY-FIFTY BASIS

The draft compromise is reported to propose return of the property to the management of the former owners, the title in a fifty-fifty basis between the companies and the Mexican Government.

The latter would be expected to undertake to pay the companies for its share of the profits over a period of years.

The oil companies are stated to be willing to increase royalty payments to the Mexican Government and the employees' scale of wages.—Reuter.

## VAST REFUGEE PROBLEM FOR FRANCE

Perpignan, Yesterday. The French Minister of Health, Marc Rucart, has announced on completion of the inspection tour in the Eastern Pyrenees that by Friday morning 6,400 Spanish wounded had been transported from the frontier to the interior of France by the French Red Cross organisation.

Up to Friday morning 3,172 old men, 84,470 women and 27,117 children entered France from Spain.

The magnitude of the task that confronts the French authorities in the frontier region is indicated by these figures, which refer only to civilian fugitives, and not to former members of the Republican Army in concentration camps, whose number is estimated at about 170,000.

Civilian fugitives quartered in private homes are also not included in this number.—Trans-Ocean.

An unidentified Chinese, about 75 years old, was found hanging yesterday at 28 Jordan Road. It is believed that he was a fortune teller.

## FOUR DRAWS IN F.A. CUP: POMPEY WIN

London, Yesterday. The following are the results of F. A. Cup and League matches played to-day:—

### F.A. CUP (FIFTH ROUND)

Newcastle	1	Preston	2
Portsmouth	2	West Ham	0
Wolves	4	Liverpool	1
Sunderland	1	Blackburn	1
Chelsea	1	Wednesday	1
Huddersfield	3	Walsall	0
Sheffield U.	0	Grimsby	0
Birmingham	2	Everton	2
Charlton	7	Manchester U.	1
Derby	1	Brentford	2
Leeds	0	Middlesbrough	1

### SECOND DIVISION

Bradford	3	Bury	2
Burnley	1	Plymouth	0
Chesterfield	3	Tranmere	0
Coventry	1	West Brom.	1
Millwall	1	Fulham	1
Southampton	3	Norwich	1
Tottenham	0	Luton	1

### THIRD DIVISION (SOUTH)

Aldershot	0	Notts, C.	3
Bristol C.	0	Northampton	0
Cardiff	5	Bournemouth	0
Crystal P.	1	Newport	1
Ipswich	0	Brighton	0
Port Vale	0	Torquay	1
Queen's P.R.	2	Swindon	1
Reading	2	Bristol R.	0
Southend	2	Mansfield	0
Watford	1	Clapton	0

### THIRD DIVISION (NORTH)

Accrington	3	Lincoln	4
Barnsley	5	Hull	1
Carlisle	3	Rotherham	1
Crawley	1	Doncaster	2
Darlington	1	Rochdale	2
Gateshead	5	Wrexham	1
Halifax	1	Chester	1
Hartlepool	3	York	2
New Brighton	2	Barrow	0
Oldham	2	Bradford C.	1
Stockport	3	Southport	1

### SCOTTISH LEAGUE

Arbroath	4	Kilmarnock	1
Ayr	1	Hamilton	1
Celtic	3	Clyde	1
Falkirk	2	Queen O.S.	1
Hibernians	1	Albion	2
Motherwell	4	Hearts	2
Partick	2	Queen's Park	2
St. Johnstone	1	Aberdeen	0
St. Mirren	1	Raith	2
Third Lanark	1	Rangers	2

### SECOND DIVISION

Airdrie	6	Dumbarton	1
Alloa	5	Forfar	1
Brechin	2	Dundee	1
Cowdenbeath	4	East Stirling	0
Dundee U.	1	Edinburgh	3
East Fife	3	Dunfermline	7
King's Park	1	Leith	3
Morton	5	Stenhousemuir	3
St. Bernards	2	Montrose	1

[No correction had been received up to 3.30 a.m.—Ed.]

## RUGGER SHOCK

London, Yesterday. Before a crowd of 60,000, at Twickenham to-day, Ireland defeated England by 5 points to nil in an international rugby match. There was no score at half time.—Reuter.

## SPEEDWAY TEST

Sydney, Yesterday. Australia defeated England in the fourth unofficial speedway racing test match here to-day by 28 points to 24.—Reuter.

Twenty-two cases of tuberculosis are included in the Health Returns for the last 24 hours. Other diseases notified include five of chicken-pox, three of dysentery, two of enteric fever and one of cerebro-spinal fever.

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